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Letters to the Editor

Good analysis

70UR article "We need Y another Kapil Dev in the issue of April 15, 1981. was much appreciated However, I see no reason to raise such a hullabaloo ab out losing a series. True the performances of the Indian boys were pretty mediocre and not up to the expected standard But arentwere ferring to standards set with the exception of Pakis t in against depleted sides I see no reason why the Indian batting should not ree tablish itself again t Ingland this winter I im sure Gavaskar will regin , his form and as you said sort out the whereabout of his off stump. Vish winath no doubt will change his approach t Chauhan and Patil retain their form and Vengsark ir listen to advice and ort out his problems

I think critics have been unduly harsh on Venksti kars performances frue he did not but is well as expected but neither did he play hadly enough to lose his place in the team. After ill he had the highest bat ting iverage in New Zea lind and scored the nax imum runs. There is no one ivalable at the moment who can till the No 3 batting berth Patil is too reckles the failed when he was tried) and Stimiyasan is vet to establish him clt in the side

Therefore one can expect the batting line up to remain more or less the sime this winter. It is the bowling that needs a bit of reshuttling One last point Why is Gavaskar so insistent on the high quality of Yograj Singh's bowling which to most of us was hardly apparent Any answerz

MADHUPARNA MITRA Bokaro

Well done

HE Indian Cricket Con 上 trol Board should be con gratulated for selecting five senior cricketers-Rama

kant fossi Bishan Bedi Venketrighivan Vijay Mangreker and Madhav Mintri-tor coaching young ters. Among these five De us cheice was jut mer. Both Bedi ind Venlor he till masters of their own art of spin bowl. ing Vist experience correct to changue and to apera ment and the sheet anchor tole placed by Vijay Man ircl it he ild ilso be useful for the youngster. Only Midh is Mintri's choice was surpri inc is he kept wicket. for India or limited occasions. We presume his close relation hip with the preent Indian skipper paved the way for his selection Alo i les pinner of the culibre of V V Kum ii could have been included in the au id

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Decline of Sunny

THI wonder boy of 1971 Sund Minohir Gavas kar seem to have lost his magic touch. Every cricke ter has good and bad patch es in his circer and Gavas kar's decline has already started But for the second innings of the Melbourne Icst Sunil was really a passenger in the side during



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the tour Down Under In New Zealand, he fell prev to Richard Hadlee but he blamed the umpires. He went to the extent of lead ing his men off the field in R is Illingworth style Only better council prevented such a happening Gavas kars tendency of bliming one day cricket is the reason for India's dismal performances sounds like a mockers

After the twin tour we have also seen the form of the little mister At Mid ris he wis boord by the crowd for slow scoring in the V V Kum ir benefit mitch Gaviskii and hi boys also performed budly in the Asit lightly benefit match. In the recent smale and double wicket competition Gayaskar was given many leases of life but he ! could not win even one the ! of the competition. In the Times Shuld matche the Indian skipper har been unable to cross con the 40 ren mak But Indian Line till consider him veelle le bumm I put them.

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Congrats

HAIS OIL to Deepak the Junior Asian Tennis Championships No doubt he has a bright future. He and Mayank Capoor are the onl hopes of Indian ten nis liter the Amritraj brothers and Ramesh Krishnan

PRABAL GLHA

Federation Cup

WOULD like to draw the Littention of the All India Lootball Federation through your popular maga

zine to the fact that the framework of the Federa tion Cup Lootball Tourna ment should be modified. I find that every year the tramework his been changed Again I do not understand on what ground the terms he selected to t compete for the Chim pions Club of India honour The selection of teams for the Federation Cup should be made on the performance of the different, clubs in the major tour rements like the IIA Shield Rocis Cup Durind Cup DCM Liophy etc. otherwise the purpose of the feders tion Cup tourney will not be

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Strange exclusion

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Intentify fethed handsome foreign exchange but one wonder what the political repercussions of this car rally will be Suitable precautions and written a urances to participants alone can make the rally colourful and smooth or else sadly the top sport will no longer attract participants to India, either foreign or India'n

Anyway we wish the ral ly all success Mrs REBNA, Mrs MA11,

PRATIMA SUNDAR. Bangalore

The Sporting Life

Ben Templeton and Turn Furman

TOOTH AND MAIL

Gloucester Like the rest of Britain's 99,946 postmen, Olympic boxing champ Pete Hanlon doesn't find the thought of dogs attacking postmen funny. On one of his daily post rounds, 21 year old Pete was savaged by an Alsatian Now together with T V Animal Magic presenter John Morris he's launching a pilot campaign to win dog lovers to the postmen s cause with the bark "Be a Pal to your Postman" to stop their bite

HURT LIKE HELL (ER)
Switzerland Down hill daredevil Gerald Heller finally came to gnef with the toilet paper dispenser in his ski chalet. There was I with my ski suit round my ankles when it snapped shut and cut my fingers to the bone I take my chances on the slopes, but I expect to be safe in there. So there he is suing for £250 000!

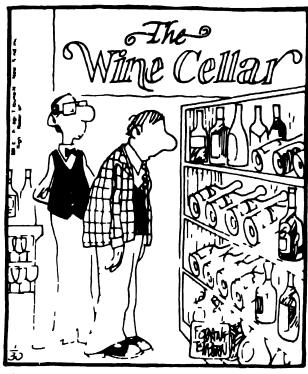
EXPRESSLY FOR SOCCER

Naples. Passengers on the Vesuvio Rapido Express from Naples to Milan wondered what was wrong Ten miles outside Rome the train halted while the driver and crew went into a nearby bar After 15 minutes the train resumed with the announcement in 4 languages "It's with great pleasure we inform passengers that Naples beat L Ascoli 1 0 in the soccer final And the train which is never late came in much behind schedule due to technical reasons —the Neopolitan crew had stopped to watch the final minutes of the game on TV in the roadside bar!

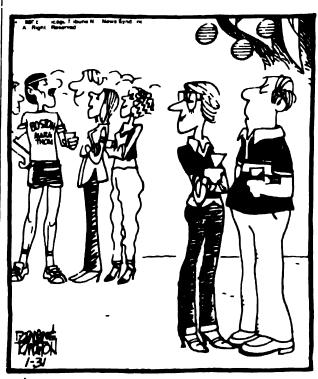
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"I WARNED YOU ABOUT TAKING TOO MUCH OF A DIVOT!



NHAT GOES WELL WITH TRASH SPORTS?



Frankly, Sandra, I Don't GARE HOW BLOW HIS HEART BEATS ! "

News : International

WORLD TABLE TENNIS

Chinese are the best

I the Pyongyang Worlds in 1979 Athe Chinese team were so humili ated by the Hungarians in the Swayth ling Cup that they vowed to win back the title at all costs. With grim determination they went about their task of salvaging lost prestige. At almost evcry international meet prior to the 16th World Table Tennis Cham pionships the Chinese players display ed their grit and talent to subdue the Luropean challenge regularly The stage was set for a battle royal at Novi Sad with the Chinese bent on emerging victorious and the Europeans equally determined to deny them any triumphs

Sure enough it was a Chinese delige at Novi Sad Yugoslavia The min's team thrished the Hungarian trio of Libor Klimpar, Istvan Joyner and Gibor Geigely Despite the fact that it was a prestige issue, China fielded a young side, even going to the extent of excluding experienced world No 2 Gio Yuchua who has wice been a losing singles finalist. The left hinded Xie Siike who used a penhold grip went on the tampage against

Klampar, the world No 3 in the decid cr Though the Chinese player lost the first game at 15 he won the next two at 21 16 21 15 to give his country the title Saike, incidentally won all three ot his matches Chai Zenhua, who is the baby of the team is a lefthander who has an orthodox Western shakehand grip That he has plenty of all round talent and knows when to utilise it was proved when he carved wins over both Klampar and Geigely The Chinese had gambled and the hold tactics paid rich dividends as they were rewarded with the Swaythling Cup

The Chinese women took the Corbillon Cup for the fourth consecutive time, vanquishing the South Koreans in a repeat performance of the Birmingham World Championships. At Novi Sad it took the Chinese team of debutant Qi Baoxiang (the A ian sing les champion). Cao Yan Hua and doubles expert Zang Deving 76 minutes to demolish the South Koreans. The over all supremacy of the Chinese women was never in doubt Baoxiang brushed aside Lee Soo Ja in 22 minutes and

Cao steamrolled Hwang Nam Sook Zang Deying and Cao proceeded to annihilate the Korean duo of Lee So and Hwang Nan to complete the vic

The quest for the Swaythling began with China and European champions Hungary winning their respective groups While both teams emerged with perfect record, the reigning champions had some anxious moments in their second group match against Poland (the side that upset DPR kore) when Andvzej Grubba and Les zek Kucharski won their matches. The Hungarians however made a stirring recovery to edge out Poland 54 thanks mainly to Gergely who finished with two wins Surprisingly enough, Klampar was stretched by Kucharski before the former went on to win There was a time when both Yugosla via and the Soviet Union threatened Hungary's aspirations but that was about all The Hungarian players thrashed the Yugoslavs for a berth in the play off and even Surbek's pre sence fuled to turn the tide

Hungary's clean slate once again posed a major threat to Asian supremacy likes showed their consistency in the play off against Japan which they won in deciave fashion. Norio Takashima was the only one who won a game for Japan defeating 1975 Calcutta world champion Joyner at 7 and 18 but went down later to Gergely. World No. 1. Seaji Ono was beaten by both Klampar and Gergely, while Hirovuki. Abe lost to Klampar



The happy Chinese team

Although Japan wrested the bronze atter eliminating Czechoslovakia 5.1 they were given a fright by England Desmond Douglas performed credit this for the latter winning all his three matches again to the lapanese although his team lost 4.5.

China the Croup A champions who have after Novi Sad -won the Swittling Cup's ven times in eleven appearances had no real opposition other than Sweden. The Swedes extended them but not for long. The men's te im did not even lose a single jubber and conceded only one game in their quest for the crown.

Act not Inclind Wing Huiyan and Sake you their encounters early and it was Gao Yuchua y ho met the most resitance from John Hilton, the Europeur champion Hilton was able to clines the first kime at 10 but extended Cuo to 22/24 in the subsequent same Compatric! Douglas who played a major role for his country was convincingly beater by Soke China moved closer to their goal when they trounced the Coch 50 without sexsomed Cuo. A ran incles champion Shi-Zhihae kave them the lead downing ctop notcher Josef Dvorseck Char ¿Zenhu cup er mether ice in Milan-Orew ki. The Coch i sistince viamated to Jardrich Pin ky who traded 0.9 but retalrated to serie the 1 each



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Xie Şaike-won all his matches against the Hungarians in the finals

Team positions

The following are the final placings of men's and women's teams in the 36th Worlds at Novi Sad

MEN

1 China, 2 Hungary, 3 Japan 4 Czechoslovakia 5 France 6 Ingland 7 Yugoslavia, 8 Poland 9 South Korea 10 Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea 11 Sweden 12 Italy 13 West bermany 14 The Soviet Union 15 Indonesia 16 Australia 17 Denmark, 18 United States 19 Hone Kong 20 Rumania 21 Bulgaria, 22 Nigeria 23 Austria 24 Netherlands 25 Imlands, 26 India 27 Wales 28 Malaysia 29 Norwa 30 Israel 31 Switzerland and 32 Fgypt

WOMEN

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A CORRESPONDENT

I did not protest against the umpiring

In this, the concluding part of the interview, Wing Commander Durrani, the manager of the Indian cricket team speaks frankly with

PHALGUNI MOTILAL

SPORISWORID There is one school of opinion that the itinerary accepted by the Indian Cri Control Board was not conducive to the Indian side. There were far too many one day internationals during the tour. Do you think that the constant switchover from instant cricket to long duration cricket affected their performances?

DURRANI I will not say that the itiner it was bad although at was certainleaver right chedule Switch and over from one day cricket to a conventional four designation in the general set up in international articket these days and the some we adjust to this pattern, the better for u

SPORTSWORID But was it advisable to expose the Indian cricketers who are least experienced to so many one day internationals against oppositions like Australia and New Zeal and

DURRANT Well it i the right ind privilege of the courty which iccept the tour and not the other way round for exemple, when MCC is comme to Indicthi winter we have prepared in itine ray, and ent it to them for icceptance. I teel ne there we not the Autrichian board could help in the matter In Visitalia the crickett, with heavily a part of Autrickett, with heavily a part of Autrickett, with heavily a beginned and money. So they also a keep an ever on the gates and hence they to a steer to different types of cricket for different kinds of less.

SPORISWORID But India had to play 10 one day internationals and detected in those games might have affected the morale of the side when they faced the same team in Test matches?

DURRANT Nobody certainly likes to expose it own feam to a varied pattern of plus but I do not think the Board had much of a choice in the matter. This was a ry in tour ind New Zeal and was also touring Australia at the anactime. The Australian Board had to accomm date both India and New Zeal and wit in a limited number of day. The only problem was that the had led to onstant travelling which was somewhat urritating at the Put this is always a part of the gray and Paki tin and the West In

dies will il o have to go through the same next year

SPORTSWORI D Can you tell us why sponsorship by Benson and Hedges has been accepted only in one day internationals and not in conventional tive day matches?

DURRANI What I gathered in Australia and New Zealand later, was that their main problem was the speciator. They do not get as many spectators in a cricket match as we do in India So the Australian Board cannot depend upon gate money alone. If they act a crowd of even 25 000 a day they con idea it to be quite a heavy turn out. Naturally, their sole aim as to ustain their own resources by sponorship and that is possible only when you get most crowds and their efforts are obviously directed towards that

Now you have to consider that in An tribing they have the facilities of IV is alable they have the facilities of replay avulable they have the facilities of highlights available and moreover people prefer to see a match in the week ends rather than watching for full five days. That is why the one day matche are gaining populative ind they are normally staged only during the weekends keeping in eye to the gites for that matter they have added more variation by introducing night cricket where the Lite curnings in even more the mirch starts it 2.30 pm and goes up to 1030 pm and the people are always free from their business to come and watch cricket And a there is so much money in volved in inviting a country, you have to have the necessary finance available and this explains the necessity of Loing for sponsorship and for more one day internationals

SPORTSWORID Is there any thinking that as night matches attract more crowds, even the conventional Test matches will be played at night?

DURRANI I do not think that lest cricket will be played in the night in the near future though you cannot certainly rule it out at a distant date. At present only Sydney Cricket Cround has the arrangements for night cricket. To stage the Test match es at night first they have to develop these facilities in other grounds also

which again means huge investments which should be commensurate with returns. Secondly the residents and the municipality where night cricket is played do not mind the an usance for one day but they may ruse objections it affixe day Test is played. However, it is too early to pass an opinion about the possibilities of night cricket. But it was indeed a novel experience to the Indian cricketers, and they employed playing. The daylight is minipled into night hight in uch a curciul manner that you could hardly feel the transition and hence the boy were no erhandicapped.

SPORTSWORID Coming to the Test series against Australia, India lost the first Fest very badly but what was widely criticised was the decision to field first even on winning the toss in the second Test at Adelaide on a perfect bitting strip Was it because of the fear of the tamous tast bowling trip and was it a collective decision of the team or only of the ciptain?

DURRANI I really have no explanation for our dismal perform mein the Sydney lest. The decision to field first if we win the to lit Ade Lude was taken by the tour committee on the previous evening. The witeration was to play safe as we felt that the only hope of quaring the series was in Melbourne where we thought the wicker would help our bowlers Though we did so by the skin of our teeth we ultimately achieved what we winted by obtaining a draw at Adc. lade. It we had even some chance of having a win at Adel ade we certainly would have tried. At the same time, we did not want to jeopardise our chances by being defeated and making the eries safe for Australia by the second Fest itself. We had evolved a strategy for the whole series and not for a particular Test. As later events proved our plan did succeed

SPORTSWORID So that decision really was the result of a plan and not of wanting to avoid a three day rout as New Zealand had suffered in two Tests and you had suffered at Sydney?

DURRANI Our strategy was never dependent on what New Zealand had done As I told you we wanted to play for a draw and you can do so only when you last out for full five days. We played to a plan and the decision of the tour committee was made known to the boys and they had executed it by a very proven performance, special ly on the last day

SPORTSWORLD But your so called plan almost came to nought and mapy consider that your victors at Melbourne was rather fortuitous

DURRANI I will not say that our win was lucky though for the first four days, we were certainly outplayed But you have to consider that the Indians were playing against ill odds. Fir t the bad performance on the previous days and secondly we had chiral in many as five injured player during the Fest. We all knew that it right of 143 runs with plenty of time at their ; disposal was almost next to nothing for the Australian team. But we got three early wickets including that of Great Chappell and I must say that all the boys rose magnificently to the occusion and our victory was really de-SEIVINE

SPORTSWORID In the Melbourne Test we had the lamous Sunil Gives kar incident? What in your opinion was the cause of this most unusual action from such a composed player? Was it because of impiring decisions

or his own accumulated frustrations for not being able to do well? DURRANI I have never endorsed

Sunil's action on the fateful day. It is not done and I am sure will never be done in future irrespective of the standard of umparing I made he clear to Sund and also to everybody concerned But you have to be to it from Sund's point of view also. If you are it the receiving end all the time conreaction can be unusual and that is exactle what happened in that particu-Lirece Sinny i a remarkably compoled person and it he did this which he him alt later regretted south raction take it a one of those case, where a human being full I ould a sthat was the end of the matter. We should not bring up the abject in more SPORTSWORLD Did you make a

SPORTSWORLD Did you make a report on the incident to the Indian | Cri Control Board?

be about though on the or he of the incident I out ederaled reports the Board President But a I sud not ody knows better than Sural that he Forlade adds comple and hence I am sure consisted will force the incident in the lattering areas of Sun I Caracker. SPORTSWORLD What are your views about the umpiring in Australia? Were all decisions only human mistakes affecting both sides or they were brised mostly in Livour of Australia?

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SPORTSWORLD What were your impressions of the umpiring in the three Tests?

DURRANI There were a couple of controversial decisions in the first Test but the mistakes became very glaring particularly in the second Test

SPORTSWORLD Did you report the matter to the Australian Cricket Board?

DURRANI No as this was not a part of the contract or the playing conditions. In any case this kind of protest against the umpiring really does not lead you anywhere. I must say that I was simply aghast at some of the decisions both against us, particularly in the second Test In fact I had nothing but sympathics for the team which had to strive manfully under these conditions. However, I did not mention this even verbally to the Australian Board because I did not want to vitiate the very triendly atmosphere prevailing during the Jests However, this will certainly form a part of my report to the Indian Cricket Control

SPORTSWORLD How do you com pare the Australian panel of umpires with that prevailing in New Zealand?

Board

DURRANI In New Zealand also the standard perhaps could have been better though I must add that I am certainly not making in excuse for the Wellington lest. We had every chance of winning the match, but still could not do so - umpiring or no umpiring

SPORTSWORLD We are fold that the Australian cricketers are very seriously competitive. Does it mean that they do not have what we call the cricket spirit and do not say any thing when they get unfair decisions in their favour

DURRANI They are no doubt very competitive and absolutely profession al in their approach. When they appeal and ger a decision, they take it in their stride But there was never any anamostry between the two teams both on and off the field

SPORTSWORLD for instance, this competitive spirit compelled Greg Chappell to advise a bowler to bowl underarm Did any incident take place against India where a catch not clean ly taken was still claimed as one?

DURRANI In a crass listing over three months there are bound to be stray incidents of the type I would attribute this lime to human error rather than any deliberate effort to misle id the opponents

SPORTSWORLD Do you think that the tour was too long and that the Australia and New Zealand sections should have been divided into two separate tours?

DURRANI No 1 do not This par ticular Indian team was perhaps the youngest to have been sent abroad. The dura ion of the tour was known to all the players. As it is cricketers in India play the game almost round the year. With these two factors, the Indi an team did not find it difficult to go I the New Zealand wickets would be

through the New Zealand leg of the tour In any case, you have to see it from other angles also, particularly the distance and the money involved That is why perhaps the Board of Control for Cricket in India decided that after the Australian leg the team should go around New Zealand as well The West Indies and England also do likewise and there are no complaints You must also realise that the Austra lian team was also playing a twin Test series against India and New Zealand it ilmost the same time. This is a part of the international cricket setup which has to be accepted by everybody including the Indian cricketers



malches

SPORTSWORLD But the last tour under Bedi was not that long As such, there is a school of thought that be cause of the length of the tour, the Indian players got stale and for the first time India lost the series to New Zealand and Gavaskar lost a series as a captain

DURRANI I will not subscribe to the idea that the team was stale. We lost to New Zealand because there was in abject surrender by our batsmen There is just no excuse for the defeat But you should also remember this is the first time in Indian team squared a series in Australia. That was also a great distinction for the team

SPORTSWORLD Why did you car ry Shivial Yaday along knowing fully well that he would not be able to play in New Zealand?

DURRANI You should bear in mind that although we knew on the tirst day of the Melbourne lest that Shivlal had fractured a toe he still continued to bowl on the second day and it is now history that his contribution to the Melbourne victory was second to none. His action was indeed courageous particularly considering the odds Secondly the medical ex perts advised me that it would only take about two weeks for this injury to be completely healed. And if he could be fit in about 10 14 days he would have been an asset as he was the only oft spinner in the side and we felt that very helpful to his type of bowling SPORTSWORLD If that is so, then what prompted you, or maybe Sunil

Gavaskar to call for Ravi Shastri as a replacement, when the National Selec tion Committee kept off spinner Gopal Sharma as a substitute?

DURRANI First, this was not Sunil Gavaskar's decision It was the deci sion of the tour committee. We discus sed for three days and came to the conclusion that under the New Zea land conditions and wickets, Ravi Shastri would be a better choice than Gop il Sharma
SPORTSWORLD Does it not meun

that the tour committee was sitting in judgement over the decision of the selection committee?

DURRANI The question should not be seen from this angle. We made our requests according to the circumst ince prevailing on the spot It is for the Board to accept this or not But I am sure the Board President must have got the proposal cleared by the National Selection Committee before Rayi Shastri was sent to New Zealand

SPORTSWORLD Now, will you please tell us something about the discipline of the team. How did the senior boys take care of the jumors particularly those who were hiving

their first tour abroad?

DURRANT The spirit that prevaled in the Indian camp right from the day we assembled in Delhi till we came back to Bombay was something to be seen to be believed. Every member of the team was a model of discr pline. Their discipline and ternout in their national blazers was very highly spoken of by the Australian member. and the High Commissioner of India in Australia New Zealand and Equality ract their turnout punctuality and behaviour were so exemplary that I will always cherish the memorie of this tour to the rest of my life

SPORTSWORLD On the tour a number of boys did not get a chance to play, particularly in the Tests, Were they disgrunted or did it affect their

game?

DURRANI In the team meeting that we held before the match we always discussed the team composition and the reasons for the same and gave a word of advice to the players who did not get a chance. They also gave their opinion freely and frankly and I must say that none of the team members gave me chance to tell him what he did was wrong. In any case they always realised that of a team of 16, only 11 can play in a Test
SPORTSWORID But you always

preferred the established players even when they were failing, rather than the younger players who required exp

osure?

DURRANI On the question of selection it is always the class of a plaver and his past record which are taken into consideration as well as his performance against the State side We hardly picked a player who had not fared well even against the State teams though he might have failed in the Test which could have been the case even with some of the youngsters I can only say that we opted for the players of proven talent only with the hope that sometime or other they would succeed

SPORTSWORLD You can say that of players like Gavaskar and Vish wanath But could you say that in respect of say, Yashpal Sharma who was preferred to say, T E Srinivasan?

DURRANI You must remember that Yashpal Sharma was scoring very heavily in the other matches including those before the Tests which justified his selection though unfortunately he did not do well in the Test matches For instance he scored a double century against Victoria, just before the third Test match. How then could one hive justified his exclusion from the team?

SPORTSWORLD In Australia you had to attend innumerable social functions. Do you think that attending so many functions till late in the night could have affected the performance of the team?

DURRANI Trist these social func tion are part of the international cricket scrup and are nothing peculiar to Australia only. I can only say that I screened all these functions very care full and accepted only those which required to be accepted such as partic given by the High Commissioner or the State cricket associations or ome any ortant Indi in communities or the Au tril in Board I made it a point that whenever we attended a function the entire team attended and not half the team or one or two individuals. I ilso made it clear to the holts depend ing on the situation, that we had to leave within a specified time so as to retre hour elve for the next day's match. I must say that things have gone off are well both from the point of view of the cricketers is well as the various ho is. I may also add that at the eparties the boy also behaved extremely well. I did not have to tell any boy that he was drinking excessively or not obeying what the manaher and the assist intiminager had said or behaved in an indecent manner

SPORTSWORI D We were told that the wives could join the players only after the third Test in Melbourne But we found that some of them land ed in Australia long before that Why did you allow them to join their hus bands igainst the Board's instructions?

DURRANI There was never any condition that wives could join their husbands only from the third Test onwards. The only condition was—this was in the contract—that in case any wife wanted to join her husband the person concerned had to obtain prior written approval from the Board President And four people namely, Gavas kar Vishwanath Chauhan and Nad karni did apply to the Board President some of the ladies landed up before the actual permission was received by me but since I was aware that the permission had been sought and that



Chetan Chauhan plays Deni s Lilleu i the second innings of the Melbourne Test

there were very frequent delives some times 20/22 days in the mail service in Australia I did allow them to join the team. I received written permission from the Board President some time later.

SPORTSWORLD After the tour was over, what was your impression about Gavaskar and Vishwanath? Was their failure only an isolated phenomenon or is it that after very distinguished careers spanning the last decade, their reflexes are now getting slower?

DURRANI There always comes a time when age catches up with any sportsman. But I do not think this is happening either to Gavaskar or Vish wanath. But, perhaps they have to apply themselves more now I am quite sure they will continue to remain the pillars of Indian batting for some times to come.

SPORTSWORLD But in the case of players like Roger Binny or Yograj

Singh do you think that they are capible of better performances or do they require to be replaced by fresh talent?

DURRANI The performances of all the players in Australia and New Zealand speak for themselves and I am sure that the National Selection Committee will take them into consideration while framing their policies for the future

SPORTSWORLD You went to Figilsland also and we did not get a report as to what happened there. Do you think that cricket is likely to catch on in this specific island or in other former British colonies like Singapore and Malaysia?

DURRANI Our experience in Fiji was really tremendous and from the enthusiasm that I have seen I am quite sure that cricket has a future there, but they require more exposure to international cricket and should be encouraged

Cover Story

Are cricketers pampered?

The general impression in this country is that Test cricketers certainly are But what do Test cricketers themselves feel about this? The answer is provided by ASHOK MANKAD

ISTARTET, Listage first electric cricket distinct character the vay encketer. are newed M experience over the pass 17 sear as that there has been a radical charge in the layer of the player efrithe field Orion is I'm it contextly character been ter the betterment of the players. There has be

been a distinct improvement in the facilitie provided both on home Eround and while the me in other Stille

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an idea, when I made my debut in the Ranji Trophy a player was getting around Rs 20 per day Today this has usen only to a paltry Rs 50 Also we are given an additional Rs 50 for non playing days to buy out lunch dinner breakfast and evening tea. If we are in Calcutta Delhi or Madras the hotels provide concessional rates when it comes to lodging. But for one cup of tea we have to pay Rs 7 The tunny thing is that very often you will tind one cup of tea being shared by three players. We are first class cricke ters. Crowd in the region of 20 000 come to watch us play in the scorching sun and vet we can thave a decent cup of tex It makes you feel had

The point I im trying to make is that in view of the intlation prevailing y hy has the monet my aspect not kept pace with the other changes that have a wept the 2 ame? Of course of you were to examine the compensation a Test cricketer receives then the figure may preveil the disparity that exists between the two levels. A le t cricketer. in India jets Rs 10 600 per Test. This gult according to me unbridgeable has

to be bridged

There is a tendency in our country [to forket one ispect that is similar to the proverb Before you learn how to run ou must first learn how to walk Similarly before on become a Test player ou must be a player of nation al stindard

It is at this juncture that the real pumpering tart. I'll then he is iniverage normal first class player with a decent job play for his club and Star But the moment he makes the grade to play for India the pampering start at the root. Having indulged in this pampering to such in illocical extent whatever follows is then normal for a player. And then, having Lotinto that circle he becomes a star. He scilled for social pathering and a part of the glamour circuit. He chool college university and State want a share of the limelight. All of them want to take the credit for turning our a Test cricketer. It is at this level that the question of satisfying egos comes in In other words it only accentuates the proces of pampering

It you happen to be a member of a touring side you are a hero to the local Indi in population. You are among the selected 16 that have emerged from a population of 700 million. The joy of these local Indians is expressed in such a manner that pampering becomes a necessity

Having once been pampered these cricketers who are also human expect in increase as per the Malthusian theory It's like geometric progression Today you want one party tomorrow two parties the third day four and the fourth day eight. If in the process some people treat these cricketers in a normal logical way then these cricke ters turn rude towards these players demanding that they be pampered. It's very much like the theory of demand and supply

Having established the point of

being pampered, which is relevant in the Indian cricket Test scene, we must also observe the pampering in other nations England, I teel, has a proper approach to this maladay Geoff Boycott the man who has got a bagful of runs is still addressed by a junior cricketer by his first name. The groundsman at a Test centre will call Cowdrey Colin That is fantastic Can you imagine any of our groundsmen calling Gavaskar Sunny? In Lugland appreciation is shown by way of respect It has a proper value. One can really tecl and sense that the atmosphere is charged when an achievement is applauded. No words have to be spoken. The sheer look on the faces of the people around and the cheer in their expression are good enough to give one the feeling that one has achieved something

There are no felicitations. No functions in honour of such and such player. Achievements are acknowledged in their proper perspective. This I believe is the right approach because it helps to balance the person concerned and makes him concentrate.

on ichieving higher goals.

It you go back to Indian philosophy you have the incident where Dronichary a the famous archer had two disciples a klasva and Arjuna. Now the guru always pu hed and praised Arjuna. But the truth was when it came to inchery Eklasva was a good as Arjuna. He did not become interior because he was not applicabled nor was Arjuna better because he was praised.

You may not believe this but my father never told me well played. And just to he ir those two words from the man who mattered most I would trive to schieve greater goals. I work ed harder and nothing give me satistaction because is long as it was not appreciated. I was not content. There were time, when I used to go mad thinking about this but now I realise my father did it for my kood. And for that I am indebted to him.

Pampering is linked to success and failure. The more you pamper the less determination there is to do well. The single minded purposeness to hine is diverted in order to bask in the glory Being human a time comes when a cricketer is convinced that he is good and does not bother to improve and that's when the downhill slide begins

I don't think the Press has ever pampered cricketers. I have found their approach very balanced. What is important is that they have always backed our cricketers and this is a healthy sign. They do not pass out asy compliments. I am indebted to them for all that they have done.

My earnest plea to cricket lovers is to view everything in its proper perspective. Do not blow anything out of proportions. It a man does well don't make him a super star. It he fails don't condemn him. As a human being a cricketer also has faults. If you want good cricketers pampering has to stop. Pampering destroys cricket.

Not all smooth sailing

RAJU MUKHERJEE, cricketer and former Bengal captain, warns that in any assessment, Test cricketers should not be classed with those who have only played the game at the domestic level

CAN anyone honestly deny that our Cericketers get away with a lot of undue advantages? Well this is partly true no doubt. But it is not fair to class the non-Test cricketers along with the men who have made the Test grade. Cricketers of our country who have to temain sitisfied with the annual diet of Ranji Trophy and Dulcep Trophy matches and no more are far from any kind of privileged existence.

Theirs is the usual routine of moving fround the country playing in front

manufactured sports goods abroad has raised the cost beyond a salary earner's reach. Then again to rub salt into the wound the Indian first class cricketer finds that quite a few centres have vet to attain the necessity basic requisites like a good wicket an out field with in even bounce or even proper diessing room facilities. I won der how the peneral impression that cricketers are a pampered lot came into being.

Yes there we a time before inde



Whether it is midnight or early morning when an Indian team returns from an overseas t ip the newsman turn out religiously to get the views of the captain. Here Venkatraghavan is sur-ounded by the Press.

of empty houses at times and places where no semblance of cricketing tradition ever existed. As I have men tioned before in these very columns the modern non Fest cricketer hardly has any pecunity benefits coming his

If he is unlucky enough to belong to a not particularly well to do State association he will invariably have to settle for second class accommodation during his tedious travels. Then again he will find that the hotel arrangements are far from comfortable. Mind you this is not the end of his headaches. He will have to buy his own cricket gent the price of which these days is enough to send shivers down many a rich man's spine.

The high demand for Indian

pendence when cricketers of our country -- both Test and non Test players—were feted by the princely States. The militarijas left no stone unturned in their hospitalit, towards the framelied sportsmen. Cricketer between themselves were not discriminated against in any way or if they were it wish too apparent or made to look too obvious. In such an environment cricketers did receive favours and privileges, that were defined to other sportsmen.

Today of course we find that ome sportsmen from other disciplines feel that cricketers and cricket receive too much publicity far in excess of what they actually deserve Well let be pragmatic enough and face facts. So individual sport can have the same



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Now to come back to the main a sucof cricketers being pampered. My well considered opinion is that some very mediocre lest cricketers de reble individual important with the reprivileges that they do not deduce the field on their own recess But there is no use complaining



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playing for a successful team There can be no doubt naturally that men like Padukone Leireira Tenzing Nor gay and such others deserve far more by way of recognition and pecuniary benefits than they have received so

But here again (as mentioned be fore) the universal practice of wider acceptance of team games rather than individual sports tares at a Tor-instance how many Britons know their own Olympic gold medal winners? Yet the name of Kevin Reeg in who i far from the world's be t striker figures in everybody's speech. I believe that inan imperfect world one can only fight and hope hope and fight However private sector sponsor have rremark able degree of then then from ports which need financial enfouragement The private por sor normall 40 for cricket golf and tennis

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Actually in a countralike ours where sport hardly occupie a promin ent position it is quite logical to find that it does not livure in our priorit calculations. The Government plays truint with the sports policy and budget some sport bodie deveite from their main him and purpose and mevitably the general standard of sporting achievements totters and fall at every step

Treat all sportsmen the same way

SURAJIT SENGUPTA, star footballer, puts forward his suggestions

ARE cricketers pampered? I do not think I like the word pampered. It suggests that someone is getting something which that person does not deserve. In that sense I do not think that they are pimpered. Whatever the Test cricketer gets today he richly deserves. He is not getting anything he does not deserve—the fame and the money he earns from playing cricket.

As a football player I do believe that we are not getting whatever is rightly due to us. After all, like Test cricketers we too represent our country Maybe when compared to Indian cricketers. Indian footballers have not been as successful in international competitions. But that does mean that we do not deserve a better deal?

It is wrong to say that Test cricketers are being pampered. If what Test cricketers get by playing for the country can be regarded as pampering then I say that all sportsinen and women who do duty for the country deserve to be looked after given things like monetary security and facilities to do better and bring them selves and their country laurels.

In other words it is not that cricke ters in this country are paripered. The

truth is that non cricketing national sportsmen and sportswomen are not being given a good deal. When you ask the question "are cricketers pampered?" You suggest that they are getting something that is not due to them. My contention is that non cricketing players are not getting what is due to them. The difference is subtle but obvious

Another point I would like to make is that cricketers were the first set of sportsmen in this country to assert their rights and claim what is legitimately due to them. You will remember that it was only after the Cricketers' Welfare Association was started that the Board of Control for Cricket in India sat up and took notice of Test cricketers.

The Players' Association was a plat form from which they could make their representations to the BCCI and get their demands met This is what we footballers lack We lack a players' association which can put forward our grievances to the authorities

Fren though I say there should be a tootballers' association, I am well aware of the difficulties involved in forming such a body I think I can best illustrate my point by this example When we talk of Sunil Gavaskar we talk in terms of him being an Indian player We seldom think of Sunil Gavaskar as a Bombay or a West Zone player.

In football the situation is quite different When you talk of Surajit Sengupta you talk in terms of the club he plays for Take the case of Xavier Pius His performances are always talked about when he turns out for Mohun Bagan but this is not always the case when he dons India colours In other words a Gavaskar is national property and the whole of India discus ses his performance feels happy when he succeeds feels sad when he fails But a Xavier Pius's performances con cerns mainly Mohun Bagan suppor ters His success is their success, his failure their personal failure

This is why, with club loyalties running so strong, it is near impossible for us to form a football players' association along the lines of the one formed by cricketers

Another reason why I feel we foot ballers are not getting our due when we play for the country is the attrude and functioning of the AIFF I am sure the AIFF authorities do not even know all the players who represent the country It seems that the only time players come into the limelight and the AIFF takes notice of them is when they are involved in a controversy I am sure the AIFF authorities now know the names of the twenty players who de serted the Asiad camp only because of the controversy they created

Since the topic involves the ques tion of treatment given to Test cricke ters, I'd like to give you the example of Ravi Shastri who became a national celebrity soon after he joined the Indian team in New Zealand Shastri was little known outside Bombay and perhaps, the West Zone Today he is a household name because he has play ed for the country Playing for one's country is without doubt a top honour, apart from the money you make This is not so in football Let me tell you that the average footballer will think along the same lines if he is adequate ly compensated when playing for his country

He has to make secrifices. The benefits he receives from his club, his having to leave a regular job to attend long drawn camps, his being away from home and all that What I am saving, in essence, is that there should be no discrimination against sports men playing for their country—be they footballers, cricketers whatever

It should not be argued that the treatment given to our cricketers brought down on a lower plane Rather, the treatment of all our national sportsmen and women has to be raised to that enjoyed by a Test cricketer in this country today

He richly deserves what he gets We deserve the same though we are not getting them I am the last person, therefore, to say that our cricketers are being pampered



When a loreign cricket team visits India the members of the side are entertained by high dignitanes. Here Clive Lloyd's West Indians are seen with the former Maharaja of Jaipur Lt Col Bhawani Singh and Rajmata Gayath Devi

They are mollycoddled

GURBUX SINGH, former Olympic hockey player, gives his reasons

EVEN a layman who has a scant knowledge of sport will be able to tell you that cricketers, without exception are a molly coddled lot It does not need a person who is well versed in sport to be able to tell you that Let's. face facts

Cricketers in this country are tre ated like prima donnas although it is my opinion that football is the most popular game in this country Yet, strangely enough, football players are not treated the same way as cricketers Bengal, perhaps, is the only State in this country where a top footballer can enjoy the same status and recognition as that enjoyed by a Gavaskar

The question at hand is Do our international cricketers really deserve the level of popularity bestowed upon them? Then again, do they deserve the massive benefits that they are constantly receiving? In my opinion, our cricketers, by and large, are grossly over rated Lest I be labelled brased let me explain that the performances of our cricketers in the international arena have, of late not been exactly inspiring What have our cricketers done to warrant the amount of public backing that they receive? What have they done to deserve the blanket coverage they are given in the media?

Let us put things in the right pers pective Test cricket is played by just six countries in the world I or all we know the rest of the nations could not care less about an Ashes series, or the fact that an Indian cricket team toured Pakistan after a lapse of almost two decades. To be the world champions in cricket means nothing more than emerging Commonwealth champions What it boils down to, after all is that only six countries play the game at that level

On the other hand, however, it takes an immeasureable amount of effort, training and grit to win a world title or an Olympic gold medal in either football or hockey That really means something, because of the levelof competition and the number of participating nations
That is all very well but what does

an Indian hockey player or a footballer get in comparison to an Indian cricke ter? Precious little, if the truth must be told A top level cricketer in this country can easily rake in a total of about a lakh of rupees-if not morein a full season And that, I might as

well point out, in addition to what he takes home in his pay packet By way of comparison, a top hockey player would consider himself fortunate if he managed to get a job bringing him say Rs 1,500 a month

A Test cricketer gets Rs 10,000 per appearance for his country and is lodged in the best of hotels, with air travel thrown in for good measure In addition, there is the added incentive of the special perks like the man of the match awards that are donated by so many organisations, so the actual fi gure is usually much higher The cricketer receives medical benefits as well as the assurance of a benefit match after retirement And how many of our cricketers are capable of holding their own against other world class colleagues? Very few, sadly enough a Gavaskar, a Kapil Dev, a Prasanna or a Bedi

But what about a Surjit, an Ashok Kumar or an Ajitpal? All three were the best in the world when they were in their prime, yet they never enjoyed the benefits that our cricketers are

entitled to

Throughout their careers, they travelled with the Indian team in second class railway compartments They lived during tournaments not in five star hotels but in schools, dharam salas or ramshackle dormitories. An Indian hockey player is paid Rs 15 a day during a National tournament, in addition to free boarding for what it is worth

ALL right, so hockey is an amateur sport but certainly hockey players deserve better treatment than they are getting at the moment. Let it be known that after India won the hockey gold at Moscow, not one member of the team apart from skipper Baskaran received more than probably Rs 10,000 in cash or kind. One can only imagine what rewards would have been given to our cricketers had they won the World Cup or some such tournament

Are our cricketers over rated? Cer tainly they are What have our cricke ters achieved in the last decade or so? Do they really deserve what they are getting? I say all this because we cannot really afford such extrava gance when it comes to cricket, and cricket alone If there is really so much money to spare in India, why not distribute it equally between sports

men of all disciplines?

What did Dhyan Chand get from hockey? Again, what did Balbir and Claudius get from hockey, despite the gold medals they brought home? For that matter, what did Sailen Manna, Balaram or Chuni Goswami get from football? Apart from the fact that they all had reasonable jobs, they have nothing else to look back on with any degree of satisfaction They are cer tainly the poor cousins of cricketers

Take the case of hockey wizard Dhyan Chand What did the country do for him? Does anyone know in what circumstances he died? No doubt a few thousands were donated to his family

after his death, but what was the use of it then? What a pitiable state of affairs for a man who was a national hero in his lifetime, and who is a legend now that he is dead

His younger brother, Roop Singh, an equally illustrious son of India, was suffering from tuberculosis for years, yet nobody had the humanity to contri bute to his medical expenses Ulti mately, an exhibition match was arranged in his honour at Bombay but even after the Bombay Hockey Association had added to the gate receipts, the amount totalled no more than Rs

I was a member of the team that won the Olympic gold medal at the 1964 Games, as well as the side that brought home another gold after the 1966 Asian Games Yet we were not given a single paise in recognition of our services when we returned to India Yes, we were each given an HMT watch and a blazer, but that was as far as gratitude went The Punjab Government promised us each a plot of land measuring 400 square yards on payment but that promise was not fulfilled and we have not heard any thing more about it

People who play hockey football, volleyball or those who excel in athlec tic generally come from the middle or lower-class families, whereas cricke ters and tennis players almost always rise from among the more privileged classes Yet as everyone knows, it is the hockey players, footballers, athletes and volleyball players who need the most financial help

llow can we expect to produce world beaters when they receive no encouragement whatsoever? In my eyes, it is much more meaningful to have a national hockey side that is ranked among the top four or five in the world rather than have a cricket team that earns lavish praise when it defeats a second rate Australian side

Let us distribute evenly the crumbs among the various sporting disciplines in our country before we expect any results Certainly, a little foresight would bring more tangible results rather than our current policy of put ting all our eggs in one basket. In very down to earth terms How many peo ple would stop to spend even Rs 5 on a hockey match rather than wait in line and buy a black market ticket for a Test match?

The media must also take its share of the rap The recent Indian cricket tour of Australia and New Zealand is a case in point No less than four AIR commentators travelled along with the side, a colossal expenditure no doubt Yet not a single media man was pre sent at the 1979 Junior World Cup

Hockey Tournament at Paris
The late A I S Dara was right when he confessed to me at Paris that year that Pakistan treats its hockey players in much the same way as India treats her cricketers That, indeed, is saying a lot

Certainly the results are there for

us to see

Tony Lewis's Column

THERE is a bloody side to cricket and cricket lovers, however noble their feelings about the game, love wallowing in the gore I write about the public mutilation of a Test captain in England's case, at the moment, Ian Botham is being forn limb from limb It is not unique It goes with the job He has disobeyed the prime command ment, "thou shalt not lose"

Every television newsreel sent back from West Indies to England in the last few weeks of England's recent tour was slanted to suit a "sack Botham" text If he was hit for four then the commentator would describe how the England all rounder's talents have declined since he has been cap tain Of course they have Then we hear references to a split in the camp Of course there have been Botham's tag is either "immature" or over aggressive" Of course he is

I wonder why people just cannot see that the England Test selectors gave the leadership to a twenty four year old, who had not proved himself permanently at the very highest level, who has had no experience of captain cy or man management and who has

returned to England to face a legal court case in which he faces a charge of assault Why is everyone so amazed that he has not been playing to his best form?

I write this in defence of Ian Botham, who, by the way, is a pleasant young man in my experience a natural cricketer and the possessor of a sharp cricket brain He was first selected captain only because there was no one else However, many wrote at the time, and I was one, that a baptism of eleven Test matches against the mighty West Indies was enough to destroy the greatest captain Why did they not allow Brearley to continue for one more home season and let Botham take the tour? He may recover from six poor Tests, but eleven failures is enough to dishearten the toughest man

I must only judge on the evidence in front of me during my stay in West Indies I saw England looking ragged and unenthusiastic on the field in the Bridgetown Test match Clive Lloyd and Viv Richards were building up a huge score for the declaration Botham tried to contain them mainly himself,

with fast medium bowling. He totally ignored the containing skills of John Emburey who is just about the best off spinner in the world. The fielders moved about with the resigned air of a crew under death sentence. Only Peter Willey came up with the professional ism. He chased every ball, turned certain fours into threes and dived on hard, rough ground if only to get a finger to the ball. Ian Botham's personality shrank, his ego disappeared, England were footloose in a vacuum.

It is worth pointing out that this can happen to anyone who is captain of a side which is being destroyed. Also, the result would have been approximately the same whoever had captained England,—W. G. Grace. Doug las Jardine, Peter May or whoever. What is worth remembering, is that lan Botham, who does not captain his county, Somerset, has had very little experience of holding back an avalanche. If he has learned anything he will now, after eleven Tests against Lloyd's men, be the most expert detensive captain in the game. Ah! But that is the question how much has he learned?



Botham and Boycott will the latter replace the all-rounder as England shipper?

Yes there was also talk of a split in the England camp There was a small junta within the put who believed that I in Both in did not communicate with them even hoor even at all Receive player and those who fail to make the test term usually start bleating courth ir lot It takes more than a good captain to soothe them What both im required was a good touch home to emot player who him self had no excet in bition, to capt un Inclind one day Bob Willis went here righted early on That we a ma ive to co Botham off the field Ceitt M. Der Telbecime a eciptiin had to ear it in interest in the access

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India for a proposed six Tests Every one is admitting that Botham was too young that he was elected because there was no one else. Now they are asking themselves again is there any one class

What about Boycott? Geoff Boycott has spent most of his life craving the Ingland captaines. That has made his interest rather in unhealthy one. He is recognised is selfish, set thoroughly professional It has always been thought that he withdrew from the Find and side during Mike Denness's captumes because he had no respect for a leader of lesser claim than hiown Boycott's trouble has always been that he has claimed the captumes However, he ought to be recognised as after ticla's cricket bring. It is hard to understand how he can be left to linguich on the boundary without even so much is a conference with his captum. I nal and have chosen to play their ericket without the benefit of Boscott long experience In the they have been wrent

So what now I would not go back to i Brearley I believe it is only worth come back it you can recall a player of i near perfection, the very best. Recall 1 ing Wichbrook Compton Bobbis Simpson Pit aidi. Hanif is different Mike Brearley never made the kride is a but man in lear though he play ed many a brave fraing

Tre men of experience who would hold a place in the ade are at two Note that I are a to I Goott Proceed and Keith Heicher Of I butting

the two I would prefer Fletcher who has enjoyed two tours of India where experience is essential. First he will have to prove his worth against the fast bowling of Lillee Law on and the other Australians this summer. He has certain skeletons in the cupboard from the 1974 blitz of Fillee and Thomson Boycott is 35 years old. Hetcher is 36

There is a following for Surrey's ciptain Roses Knight a most effective ill rounder lett hinded bat and right arm medium fast bowler. He ha led a Surrex revival. He is 14 years old. He has reached a peak after patchy career with Cloucestershire and Sussex. His hift of countie was made because of a change in posts as a choolmaster. Roger Knight was a Cambridge Blue from 196770

What is ideal for a med and In the perfect world I in Both in will recover his confidence and form in the carlpart of the season and he will be elected captum maybe lear by lest Hi self a urance may then return I have the feeling that if he is outcast then he robust per on dity will be little inted to the mill tage indith it he will knout of cricker it a young age It a Trevor Bules who this wanted the selector of the viten Both im was tu t cho en

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Profile

Clive Lloyd: The marathon man

The quite sure when the nickname was conceived, or who it was that first called him that What we do know, however is why he was given the nickname simply because of his extraordinary fulding, the speed with which he moved the grace with which he cut off certain runs and the power with which he threw. And yes, the accuracy as well More offer than not those throws meant that batsmen would be returning to the pavilion shaking their heads in disbelief at the fashion in which Lloyd had run them out

Whisper had it that the West Indian tour of I ngland last summer would be bloods Is to harraholis final curtain

call The tourists returned home victorious and it was said that Lloyd would hang up his boots. But he had no intention of doing so and though Roberts and Deryck Murray were dropped from the side to tour Pakistan shortly after, Lloyd was named captain Would there be another series for the West Indian skipper?

As it turned out, there was He was named captain against the touring Englishmen, under Ian Botham Today the tour is part of history. The Englishmen were annihilated. A Test was cancelled because of the political storm over the inclusion of Robin Jackman, who had been flown out from England to replace the injured Bob Willis, the West Indian fast bowlers wreaked havoc, a black cricketer named Roland Butcher played Test cricket for England on what was his home soil. But more than anything else, the tour will be remembered because of Lloyd's scintillating form.

His record in the Tests speak volumes In only five innings he scored 383 runs at an impressive average of 76 60. Only Viv Richards ended the series with a higher average (89.75) although his tally of runs was less than I loyd's. By way of contrast. David Gower was the highest scorer for England, totalling 376 runs, although it took him eight innings in which to do so. Of I loyd's five innings, each produced a score of over 50, a run of consistent scores that he will probably be hild pressed to repeat.

Clive Hubert Lloyd made his Test debut for the West Indies at Bombay, on the 1966-67 tour As Lloyd himself admits in his autobiography, "Living for Cricket", "I did not expect to force my way into a Test side with middle order batting comprising Kanhai, Butcher, Nurse and Sobers—unless I was lucky In two innings in the minor matches before the first Test at Bom bay, I managed nothing outstanding 39 and 15, and I was prepared to serve duties as emergency fielder for the first Test when, quite out of the blue, Sobers came across after nets on the first morning of the match and announced 'You're in, Clive' '

Lloyd only came out to bat on the second day after India had been dismissed, and there was considerably less pressure on him than there might have been had the West Indies been put in first India had rattled up 296 and the tourists were 82 for three after Chandra had run through Bynoe

Kanhai and Butcher

Hunte and Lloyd added more than a hundred runs for the fourth wicket and the fact that the West Indians took i first innings lead was due in no small measure to Lloyd 5 contribution of 82 But that was not the end India fought back and the West Indies had to make 192 in the fourth innings in order to force a win. The pitch was beginning to show signs of wear and tear and when I layd joined nightwatchman I ance Gibbs this cousin; at the wicket the scoreboard read 51 for three Both Gibbs and Hunte departed early victims of Chandre and the West Indies were not even halfway to their target

ober the next man in called I loyd over ind advised him to wait for Chandra to tire before cutting loose. The fermer was anxious that the match be over by three or looks man is he said he had been given a hot tip for a race at the local track. I loyd's astomishment was matched only by his brilliance and the two were still together at the end with I loyd 78 not out and Sobers unbeaten on 53.

If hid not been a path of roses for I loyd on his way to Test cricket like hundreds of aspiring young cricketer the world over he too knew his share of disappointment. In 1966 the year the Shell Shield was initiated lloyd knew that he had to perform exceptionally in the tournament if he way to be included in the team to tour linglend. Or so he thought

In Guyana first match I loyds only contribution was the carrying of the drinks is Kanhai Butcher and Solomon occupied positions three four ird five in the batting lineup Hischance finally caire in their second game Roy I redericks was left out and I loyd was included in the squad to face Barbados. They were mauled by the latter and I loyd was Ibw to Sobers for a duck in the first innings, much to his chagrin. When he went out in the second innings, Guyana were 86 for four, trailing by the ridiculous margin of over 300 runs. But I loyd came into his own and ended up as top scorer.



Lluyd introduces Queen Eli abeth to Joel Garner

with 107 to his name In the next match against Jamaica, he got 194 at Sabina Park and it seemed certain that Lloyd would be among the 17 names scheduled to be announced soon after

It wasn't I loyd had to follow the proceedings of the tour on the radio It hurt him deeper than anything else ever before but he was determined to be in the team the next time

Soon after he broke into Test crick et, Wes Hall mentioned to him that an English club by the name of Hasling den required a player for the coming season. He advised the younger man that it would be a wise move and after negotiations with Tom Lees, the Hasl ingden secretary. Lloyd signed on for League cricket. He ended the season with 861 runs and 47 wickets and was already something of a legend with the Englishmen It was not unusual for a cracketer to be rewarded with a collection if he performed well and I loyd was honoured in this fashion the day he got his first century. However it came as omething of a shock to him when he discovered that the proceeds were used to buy drinks all round. It was also at Hashingdon that he began to bowl medium pace stuft as he decided that he legispin would bear no dividend on the conditions prevaling



N 1965 Flood had the rather shatter Line experience of being on a loon, Le to ide. He wot 118 in his first inning on We't Indian soil ind mother ton in the third lest at the Kensington Ovil He was averaging over 50 ig iin to the English attack of Snow Brown Jone Tirmus Lock Pocock and D'Oliveira but what remans firmly entrenched in his mem ory is the lost Te t at Port of Spain when Sobers made in imazing declaration etting England only 215 to win in the remaining two and three quarter hours play England of cour e won by seven wickets with a few minutes to spare and in elligy of Sobers was burnt in Port of Spain's

The veirs between 1969 and 1973 were miserable ones for Lloyd After the ill fated tour of Australia and New Zealand, the West Indies played four consecutive Test series without a sing le Test victory. They lost 0.2 to England in 1969 0.1 to India in 1971, were held to five draws by New Zealand in

Independence Square



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MILY came Floyd's elevation to the Lipoit denotum of the West Indies Kinhai succeeded Sobers is the kip per to the istonsihment of many Finh is will tipped to lead the side to India Sril inka and Pakistan, but the West Indian electors proved that the were a unpredictable a ever I lovd was taken completely by urprice when Howard Booth, the cricket corre pondent of the Daily Muror rang him during a march at leed to conpritulate him on being appointed to bud the West Indie Needles to six Floyd was officially informed much la crabout his elevation to the post of skipper

He won his first series as captum but what a thriller it was! The West Indies defeated India in the first two of the five lests but the home team fought back to level the score at two all. At the decisive Bombay Test I low won the toss when it was obvious that the match would depend on the spin of the coin and the West Indies clinched the series.

Came 1975 and what was probably Lloyd's finest moment. The West In dies were drawn in the same section as Australia. Pakistan and Sri Lanka in the inaugural World Cup and though they walked past the Sri Lanka side at

Old Irationd the encounter against Paki tan was a different kettle of fish altogether. The Pak stams rattled up 266 for even off the allotted 60 overs but the West Indians faltered and when by Vanburn Holder walked out to join Dervek Murray the scoreboard read 166 for eight Holder went shortly after but Andy Roberts and Murray saw then side through in what was billed the thriller of the year.

But the best was yet to come. They advanced to the semi-finals demolishing Australia on the way and purpaid to New Zealand to qualify for the final where they mer the Australian yet again.

In Chappell won the toss and put the opposition in but the West Indians seemed over confident and were soon three down for 50 and I loyd seemed to be hitting everything off the middle of his bit. When he was eventually out caught by Marsh off the workhorse following for 102 hi side were 199 for four. They totalled 291 for eight and thought they had the mitch sewn up but they had the mitch sewn up but they had reckoned without the fighting spirit of the Avssies who however fell short of the target in I what was without doubt the most exciting match of the tounament.

And as I loyd admitted nothing could ever rival the feeling of holding the World Cup aloft!





Calcutta League: Will the backlog of tension persist?

SUBHASH SARCAR

LAST ve in the Cilcutta Senior Diviion Teague was abandoned in an atmosphere of unprecedented tension after the deaths at the Eden Gardens on August 16. The incident also for ed the eincellation of the IFA Shield Could the August 16 episode been a oided?

The commission of inquiry which is delving into the happenings of that di i trou day will perhaps pinpoint the facts. The tension that cropped up it the start of the fourth Lederation Up could at lest have been minimiled had the police and the II A been more derr The authoritie Anewvery well that the exodulof several star In a Bengal players to Mohammedan r me last year could only serve to heighten the cent or between the retive clubs and that champions "I now I is in would train the in title it all coits. Who know e macht have been the con equ concluded Mohammed in S.C. and List. nade hed in the leasue of ter that

There is always an undercurrent of tension when rival lubs meet and this occurs to an even greater extent when two of the Big Three clash During last year's Federation Cup semi final between Mohammed in Sporting and Mohun Bagin and once agin in the final between Mohun Bagan and Fast Bengal the atmosphere was electric Ultimately the finalists were declared joint winners but not before chaos and brick batting left several spectators injured

These were the first signs of what was soon to follow. A high ranking police official will probably recall the day of the Ecderation Cup final when this correspondent predicted that this was only the beginning of the violence. That there would be further disasters was proved again but that is now part of history. Had the authorities taken the extra precaution of posting plaine lother police personnel in the standas desired by at lear tone big clubthe tension could definitely have been centrolled. Even at this stage, or the

threshold of this year's League the tension is far from having evaporated

Let it be understood that this tension is not confined to Calcutta alone. In December 1980 when Mohammed in Sporting and Fast Bengal shared the Rovers Cup after their final draw in Bombay, the situation was no different. This time there was no spectator violence. Instead there was much acrimony at to the toss deciding which side would keep the cup for the first ix months.

They met us an at Bang dore where they shared the Stafford Cup amidst ten ion. It was the same story who should keep it tirst. Rivally nais always existed between the big clubs and in the case of the Mohammedan Sporting and I sit Benjal, this has intensified because of the tug of war over Majid and Jamshid.

If the authorities want to complete the error. Senior League they will have to take after measures to ensure the safety of the spectators. It is most by a everyone knows the innocent





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In the context look back on 1974 List Bengil were then undoubtedly tar superior to uch rivils Mohun Big in every department of the game vet they were defeated in the Dur ind final that year

Came 1977 and Mohun Bagan looked the better side -- t least on paper—but it was the red and /ellow to method considerate maximum number of pent in the pre-tracer lood te athalf leading

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Firler, and no me pictum later care is with their most old be other year they have strengthened for the gion with the nalutor of fernier Mohammed in S.C. Eipper Amalia) whose signing came is tyre it related his new club. He came into he lime light during the 1979 National when Giutim Sirkar wi un willible Farced also came into the fold on the strength of his brilliant performance for Andhra Pradesh in the Cuttack Nationals The pre-ence of these men-

FACH year there is an increasing inumber of matches in the Senior Division League and a period always comes when the IFA lights against time to complete the tournament. This year there are 27 teams in the tray which means that no less than 351 matches will have to be played The schedule can only be maintained if the smaller en counters are held under tloudlights on the Mohun Bagan ground. If this is not possible the Senior League will in all probability not be completed

As per the previous practice, the If A requested the police for permission to conduct marches under floodlights but the authorities objected to this because of the law and order situation. Yet even if the police agree this year there remains the question of whether per mission will be given to consume so much electricity since load shedding seems to be a chronic disease in West Bengal. The teams which will vie for top honours are

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(2) Fast Bengal

(3) Mohammed in Sporting

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(5) Tollygunge Agragami

(6) George Telegraph

(7) Kidderpore

(5) Lastern Railway

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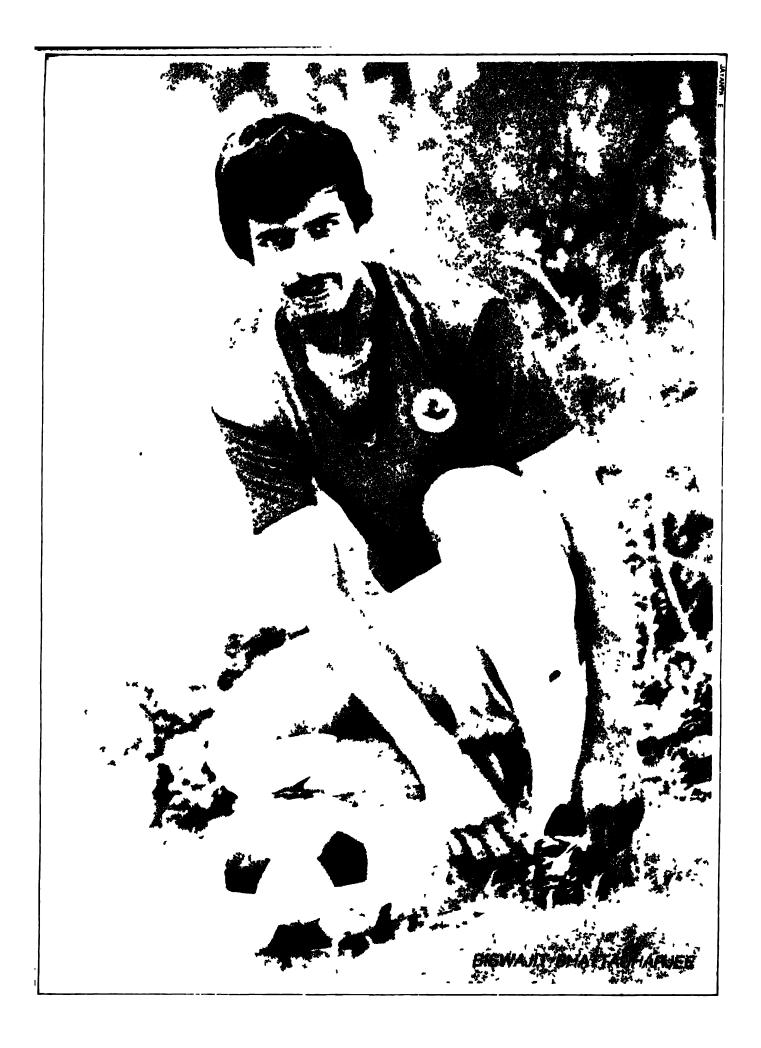
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er on fir Bened tended to bulk hered on the flish drimen tory na-Jamshid Na iri and Majid Raket Although both pro-d formidable in th Tederation in Lkiver Cup. tournament, the lacked punch during the league. The reason is not to difficult to find as they sere playing 1.1 m in iltopether different environ ment. The general feeling is that both Mijid and Jamshid will be in a far-



better position to display their pro wess, particularly the former as he is capable of altering the pace of any

game

lamshid is a pertect header and it may be recalled that his contribution to his side's victory against Mohun Bagan in the Rovers Cup was impress ive, to say the least However both Iranian players will be under consider ably less pressure this year thanks to the new look midfield. Both Majid and Jamshid should receive ample support from wingers C D Francis and De bashish Roy The latter had a good season with the black and whites but he was unable to do duty for Bengal at Cuttack because of a knee injury. The question is will he be able to fill the void created by the absence of Harjin der Singh on the left tlank? Even this teaser should not cause the club much concern since there are plents of talented youngsters like Shankar Adhikari Priti Ghos d and Moti Singh among the reserves

After Sudhir Kirmakai skipper Monoranjan Bhattacharjee is perhaps the most difficult barrier to negotiate This was quite evident in the Stafford Cup as he foiled the attempts of all his opponents with ease. A sound stopper indeed! Premnith Philip is a cool player and is considered the best right back in the country today while new entrant Sekhai in of Kain it ika is in telligent and is capable of playing as a wing back as well as a stopper. Fast Bengal lost two reliable deep defenders in Samar Bhattacharjee Satyage Mitra but they have been cipably replaced by Anudch D's and Shankar Saha both of whom are equally competent. Who will till the left back position. At present there ire two main contenders. Dilip Palit. and Anudeb Das but the versatile Thomas Mathews hould not be over looked especially as he can play on both sides. The player most likely to shoulder the maximum responsibility between the posts is Dilip Paul again He will be assisted by Biswajit Das and Goopahandhu Sahu Many teel howey er that if the unfortunate Biswijit Das is given ample scope he will be back among the top ranking custodians

THE other team which can match Sporting, the side comprising players who are veterans when it comes to Calcutta conditions. The team's strongest point is its razor shirp attacking lineup with the prize catch es—Manas Bhattacharya, Bidesh Bose—who will assist Shabbir Ali and Md Akbar Should this lineup click, it will be capable of destroying any defence

However, Manash Bhattacharya will be less penetrative without star right medio Gautam Sarkar though the club fans wear a happy look after the inclusion of the invaluable Prasun Banerjee who, incidentally, has further strengthened the midfield Prasun and Prasanta Banerjee are without doubt the two best attacking halves in the country today The only drawback

The line-up

EAST BENGAL

Goalkeepers Dilip Paul, Goopa bandhu Sahoo, Biswajit Das

Backs Premnath Philip, Monor anjan Bhattacharya (Captain), Sekharan, Sudhir Karmakar, Dilip Palit, Thomas Matthews, Anudeb Das, Sankar Saha

Linkmen Joseph Machado, Amalraj, Mahmud Khabazi, Fareed, Samaresh Choudhury

Forwards C D Francis, Jam shid Nassiri, Majid Bashkar, De bashis Roy, Moti Singh, Priti Ghoshal, Sankar Adhikari, Some nath Banerjee, Md Mujibullah

MOHUN BAGAN

Goalkeepers Shivaji Banerjee, Pratap Ghosh, Jagadish Ghosh

Backs Compton Dutta, Subrata Bhattacharya, Samar Bhattacharya, Shvamal Banerjee, Pradip Choudhury (Captain) Satyajit Mitra, Sudip Chatterjee, Ashok Chakravorty, Sanjib Choudhury, Gautam Bhattacharya, Biswajit Bose

Lunkmen Gautam Sarkar Su jash Bera, Md Habib, Dipak Bancijce

Forwards Surajit Sengupta, Xavier Pius, Biswajit Bhattacharva, Ulaganathan, Mihir Bose, Francis D'Souza C B Thapa, Shyam Tha pa, Arup Das Kesto Mitra

MOHAMMEDAN SPORTING

Gosikeepers Bhaskar Ganguly, Amit Guha, Sheikh Akhtaruddin

Backs Chinmov Chatterjee, Moidul Islam (Captain), Romen Bhattacharya, Gauranga Banerjee, Alok Mukherjee, Balai Mukherjee, Samir Mukherjee Samiran Saha

Linkmen Prasun Banerjee, Prasanta Banerjee, Kajal Chatterjee, Uttam Mazumdar, Ashok Chat terjee

Forwards Manash Bhat tacharya, Md Akbar, Shabbir Ali, Bidesh Bose, Denis Williamson, Tapan Das, Kartick Sett, Ranjit Mukherjee, Nirmal Chatterjee, Sib nath Barui

is that both are left footers. The attack is, therefore, expected to be concentrated on the left flank offering fewer chances for Manash to score.

Premnath Philip's transfer, however does not make much difference in the deep defence since India's typ wing back Chinmoy Chatterjee stands like a colossus Of course, Gauranga Banerjee is still around to cover the left side as he has done time and again Stopper Romen Bhattacharjee, a real warhorse, performed admirably last season He was ably supported by

Moidul Islam, whose cool play has always earned him praise With the entry of Aryan's Samiran Saha both Moidul and Romen will have to prove their worth if they want to retain their places Another Aryan player who will don black and white colours is Balai Mukherjee He is a very talented wing back and has a bright future, provided he is given the right opportunities Finally there is the wily Bhaskar Ganguly doing duty under the bar He has often shown that he can work wonders even when the defence has cracked As substitute goalkeepers, Mohammedan S.C. have Fast Bengal's Amit Guha and Rajasthan's Akhtarud din Certainly they look strong enough to meet any challenge

MOHUN BAGAN look a poor third on paper but they have the right blend of youth and experience Many feel that the exit of Prasun, Manash and Bidesh who have been the main stay of the club for many years, has created a gaping void But the inclusion of Surajit Sengupta should be of immense help provided of course, he strikes form As things stand, Surajit will have to guide the attacking line with Ulaganathan as his wing counterpait As far as strikers go the choice is amongst Shyam Thapa Vavier Pius, Biswajit Bhattacharjee, Francis D'Souza and Mihir Bose

It is presumed that Pius and Bose will be in the limelight although D'Souzi who was indisposed last sea son, is also capable of rising to the occasion. It is difficult to try and assess how much longer Ulaga and Shyam will be able to serve the side as they both seem to be spent forces.

Gautam Sarkar will have to assume sole responsibility in the midfield region and the Gautam Prasun combina tion will be sorely missed. The other three linkmen are Sujash Kumar Bera, Dipak Bancijee and old warhorse Md Habib The first choice will in all probability be Habib as his pre sence—even now—has a tremendous psychological bearing on all opponents Skipper Pradip Choudhury's biggest problem will be the organisation of the deep defence Ridiculously enough the club has recruited no less than ten defenders from whom they will pick the best four The first berth is already taken by Subrata Bhat tacharya while the others who can come in are Compton Dutta and Shyamal Baneric. The problem re lates to the fourth place Will Pradip Choudhury be able to maintain his form? The contest for this position should centre around Gautam Bhat tacharjee and Sudip Chatterjee Two others who are not going to give up easily are youngsters Sanjib Choudhury and Biswajit Bose

However Mohun Bagan are already one up when it comes to the question of goalkeepers. They have retained all three—Shivaji Banerjee who is still perhaps the best available in the country, Pratap Ghosh and Jagadish Ghosh.

Mohun Bagan therefore cannot and should not be underestimated

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CIL fight gallantly

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Put the goal that clinched the issue for CP hardle tow seconds later came. under unu u.d. circumstinces. The Mitatilized vi under tire ind de lender Abdul Kenmin minused the

ball to his coalic who under normal circum tances could have proked it up like a child picking up a follipop But unfortunately for goalkeeper Proken and Maradal hexast Muniappa who incidentially

the CIL ranks-and Rehman's back pass trickled into the untenanted goal to give CII the match winner, as it were

In retrospect for all the individual tlashes of brilliance of Matatlal striker Range Thaps one felt that he could not speak the language of his fellow to ward so to say And the vice versa of this is also applicable. Most of the Matatlal for ivs were down the middle with ineffective use of the flanks

There was some confusion about how the goal was really scored from th distance of the Press box one thought that Muniappa had indeed got a boot to the ball before it went in but it was later clarified that it was indeed

r self goal courtesy Abdul Rehman Holding Jagatut Cotton and Jextile Mills to a goalles drawwas quite in achievement for local senior livision leaders Internal Coach Factors. It was a tactical win for ICL who did well to low down the JC I game and play it on their term. And ICE unlike the wont of unitancial teams generally were not

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the teams sharing six goals this time In the tie breaker too they were quits and the local team went down guns blazing in the sudden death (45) ICF's performance in the Federation Cup this year was the most creditable of the five local teams that took part This in spite of the fact that Reserve Bink was the sole local team which got

Reserve Bank did this when they got past Premier lyres Kalamassery 10 in a first rounder. Premier paid the penalty for awry marksmanship. The goal which took RBI into the second round came from wing forward Jones Gunasingh in a clever move shifted the action to the then peaceful right flank where Koshi pro-ented one neat ly to Jones. The second mentioned hoodwinked two desperate Premier detenders before chipping with iplomb the bill through goilkeeper Sethum idh ivan s uncovered angle

Listly one of the satisfying matches in cluster II CII and JCI locked horns without deciding the winner in a second round match. Around the 25th minute of the nortch outside right Kishmira rin down beit left bick Oxippa ind squited the ball on the run to Harjinder who

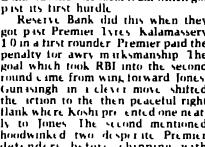
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How did RFC qualify?

NE might well wonder how Cal Ocutta's Railway Football Club got themselves invited for the 1981 Federation Cup That they reached the quarter finals is a separate mat ter altogether. It is definitely not a top club side of the country When the Federation Cup was maugu rated in 1977, it had been men tioned that only the top teams of the country would be eligible to participate In fact, RPC do not even figure in the top bracket in the Calcutta League itself

The question of their inclusion is, therefore, quite justified One has to go back to the Cuttack Nationals (January 1981) to find the roots of their inclusion A working committee meeting of the All India Football Federation (AIFF) was held during the National's Dur ing that meeting Mr Phalguni Moti laid, secretary, Railway Sports Con trol Board and a member of the working committee, had proposed that since a railway side was parti cipating in the Nationals and were doing well, (they reached the finals this year) they should also be allowed to field a team in the Federation Cup

The matter was put to vote and

the proposal and Mr Motilal, asked Sankar Sarkar, who was also with the Railway team during the Nationals, to select players from South Eastern, Eastern, Port Trust and RFC, and then submit the list to the Railway Sports Board so that: these players could be selected to play in the Federation Cup Sanker Sarkar was also assured that he would be the coach-cum manager-

Sankar Sarkar requested the RSCB to ask the players he had selected to attend training. When the news reached Calcutta that a combined railway side was to participate in the Federation Cup, some clubs sent objections to the AIFF They were quite justified in doing so, because the Federation Cup is a club tournament and not an institutional one

This came under discussion when the AIFF committee met at Delhi to decide the fate of the 21 players who left the preparatory Asiad coaching camp They agreed that the objections were lawful Then what were the AIFF big wigs doing during the Nationals? Had they forgotten that the Federation Cup was a club tournament?



Anton John of Salgaonkar is brought down by a Southern Railway defender

Sidelights

ARF football referees governed by something like the "Official Secret Act"? At least some official bigwigs who believe that they are On two successive evenings, repor ters were disallowed from talking to referees in the BSF Railway F C match linesman K K George's de cision which gave BSF the 2 1 lead caused some heartburn in certain quarters When Pressmen were seeking clarification from referee Kadakshamurthy and linesman George, Mr Vittal appealed to them to "leave him alone" and the concerned duo were herded out

The next day, when reporters approached referee Hakim for his angle of the event filled Mohun Bagan Orkay match, like a true gentleman, he politely said he would speak after he had got back his breath (and his nerves) We waited and, ten minutes later, Hakim was briefing us when Mr Nelson Issac, President, Madras Football Association, literally pul led Hakim away from us Two Pressmen protested vigorously and a helpless, apologetic Hakim signal

led that he would return in a moment But, by then, the Pressmen were in no mood to speak and they walked away in a huff

The incident left a bad taste in the mouth, on either side, but it did underline the unjustified "shy ness" of some officials when it comes to talking to the Press As the supervisor of the match and the only non participant in the midst of the action, the referee is the best person to give us an authentic, unbiased view of incidents that happen from time to time The Press has a right to seek clarifica tion on these scores as much as the reader has a right to authentic information

This is what some officials fail to realise And, if a Pressman goes solely by what he is able to make out from the Press box, he is ac cused of not reporting facts' An unenviable position, won't you say?

WHEN Orkay and Mohun Bagan players were involved in the fracas (non football) on field (referred to in the main report), a couple of the Orkay 'bench warmers' chipped in with vocal support from the side lines. This provoked a spectator who took the law and his chair in his own hands and hurled the latter

on the Orkay reserves. The Orkay player in question lost his cool and challenged the cowardly spectator The law intervened and the errant spectator was sent to the galeries where he received a hero's wel come The Orkay players were sore that the cops "let him go", even after they had pointed out the offender |

DO MLAs, MLCs and MPs de serve complimentary tickets every time a major sports event is held in a city? It has happened before (especially during a cricket Test) and our glorious elected repre-sentatives believe that it is their birthright to be admitted free to most functions. There was some belly aching about them not being provided with complimentary pas ses for the Federation Cup and, come to think of it, it's just all well Imagine if the organisers had to satisfy this already pampered section of VIPs-Tamil Nadu has 235 members of the Legislative Assem bly, 63 members of the Legislative Council and 39 Members of Parlia ment Grand total three hundred thirty six complimentary passes

No sir, it's just not done

ASHOK KAMATH SARAJIT DEB

when right ving forward Krishnamur thy sent in a knee high centre and an airborne Muniappa executed a casual detlection which brooked no reply from the unprepared Shiv Kumar under the JCl bu

Khidid put CII in the lead through read which might both the defenders and the spect for a trifle surprised. As though from no shere Khahid duted in to a weal-dragonal clear in clay one of the ICI defender, and his pile driver crashed into the net in a tlash

About of crisp passing between Harjinder and Kashmira the same duo who were instrumental in JCI drawing blood first culminated in ICI troop im out on level terms with CII at the end of the first half. The only occusion when the legendary Index Singh was on view was during the second half of this encounter and the Index effect on the term as a whole vas very much

discernable thereabours. A little less than 20 minutes into the second half-ICI were into the lead for the first time in the match. Indea banking home powerfully off a Manut pas. But CII maraged to stay alive to tight mother day think to Munippis goal five minutes before the long shistle

In the replie Hirjinder went on the regi ter the first hat trick of the tournament in a one sided clash Gene was CII seather dash and one wondeted how the ab ence of one player skipper Devir ij who wie indis posed - could mike such a difference to i te im Hirjinder scored JCT's first three goals and kripal Sinch (who came in for Kashmir o netted for the fourth. Munipper reduced the margin. tor the losers

Silgionear used the first hill of their match against Southern Rulwis Made is as a reconnaissance massion. The scoreboard was blank when the teams crossed over but when they came back. Salkaone a played like a te im pos essed. The local boys did not know what hit them I our goals were binged in to spell finis to whitever pretentions Southern Rulway and its supporters might have entertained abdi iw Right striker Camillo Gons ilvas Jose D Souza were the scorers in Sallater put an end to the list of the local

out holding the top Go in outlit to a (2) Arnold Rodrigues and wing back gioncar's 41 win Salgioncar a day challenge pushing out Reserve Back via a second half Digambar goal

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ASHOK KAMATH, Madras

Ilie Nastase: Court jester par excellence

In just about six weeks, the top stars will be battling it out at the All England Club With this issue, we begin a new serial featuring men and women whose names are inextricably linked with the Wimbledon tradition The first is Ilie Nastase, the temperamental genius who lost two Wimbledon singles finals and who reached his first Grand Prix tournament in four years in April this year MIKE LUPICA takes a fond look at the talented Rumanian

Hi will never lose all of it. The music even now is it begins to tide is till hi own still alive still vivid. Nistise will ilwivs be Nastase. For a point or a game or a let or a match. Nastasc will be the little one of the very few his sport has ever seen. He will run and laugh and invent a hot hit ind make tenni a tov He will be 25 cars old again. Tennis will be child a play. He will be in those bright moments, the most gifted child

child in him

Nastase

He will disappoint us of course because he always has He will age badly and disappoint us more often as he ages because his nerves are long gone shattered long ago. There will be too many times when he will be no thing more than tennis's shopping bag lady rather than its maddening mad artist. He won't win any more big i

He will never lose that music or the 1 matches the speed has been left be hind He will not run down the im possible ball flick it back at the impossible angle He will thrill us less And people will cluck about the talent he squandered And maybe they will be right

But one thing will not change When he is around tennis will be more tun When he is in the middle of things-4s he was for one tempestuous evening against John McEntoe in the



stase argues with tournament referee Mike Blanchard after being penalised to the tune of one game against McEnroe in the U.S.Open



Bjorn Borg and his bride Mariana with Princess G ace of Monaco. The Swede defeated Nastase in the latter's record. Wimbledon singles final.

It's Open two years ago—a colourless sport called tennis will come alive for a few hours be charged with a crack ling electricity. He will shock and amuse and inturiate all over again. He will make us laugh. The Nastase never forgot how to laugh or make fun of tennis or himself. He has been the most wonderful outlaw this game will ever see.

He has been downinght Nisty. He is 33 now He has had himself a time. He shattered all the burners. He built new burners and fore those down too Talk about new frontiers. He was the outlaw Neil Aimstron, One obscene gesture for tennis one grant curse for mankind He cursed velled made those obscene Restures tanked some big matches pouted got fined suspended and got fined a little more There were more than a few times when he nearly had his Rumanian lights punched out. He was the black sheep who made good who taught a whole generation of attentive brats that you could be bad on a tennis court and get away with it at least some of the time, if you could really play

There could have been no Jimmy Connois without i Nistase first There could have been no McFnroe. It is always this way with the truly great pioneers

Do you detend him for all he has done on a tennis court? Of course not There were all those times when he went too far lost tot il control became burlesque embarrissed himself it you were watching him you wanted to scream at him to stop to jut play this

time to win the damn march. But he never listened to anyone. The wild crazy music was playing inside his head he couldn't stop. He ever was able to say no to himself. He was of course the girl with the cuil. When he was good he was very very good. And when he was bad he was horrid. He was downright impossible.

Did he cheat himself? Probably Did he cheat us? Sure Could he have given himself and his fans more? He could have given us a lot more. He could have won more. He could have played even more beautifull—even more often.

Nastase could have won Wimble don Nastase won't do that now

BUT he won two It ilian Open—one French—one U.S. Open four Misters. He got rich. And the tennis was rich. There were all those matches over the years when it came together for him when the music was right, and then Nastase turned tennis into some thing elegant. In those time, she was on top of his game, dead on top of it, and the artist's mind was under control

In those times. Nist use did things on a fennis court that made you want to write about them. Then he made you laugh afterwards. That combination of genius and laughter happens to be unique.

Nastase immortal again was sitting in the men's locker room at the National Tennis Centre. He had just played his tirst Open match in two years (he was under suspension during the 1978 Open) beating a player named Leo Palin, who retired after

two sets with a pulled leg muscle

On this day, one of the hottest and muggiest at the 1979 Open, Nastase had done something even more significant and newsworthy than simply heating the forgettable Leo Palin Nastase had turned the richest tennist tournament in the world into a strip joint

He had changed his shorts—on court -during the march. He had broken down another tennis barrier audity Right there in front of a couple of hundred fairs at the NTC's Grand stand court. Now an hour after the match. Nastase was explaining him self.

Some people sweat in the chest, he ind So they change hirts during a match. You see I muse at Wimble don? Was hot today. I have a big rearend So I changed my shorts. Where is big deal? Besides, I think the women liked it.

I had strolled up to the match with Nasta e leading 7.5.6.5. He wall wilking off the court for the charactover. He saw me standing about 20 feet from the umpire of him and did the only polite thing U.S. Open 20 lose match? Trivialities He came over to as hello. He also brought along a folding chair and a soft drink. Its opponent Palin me inwhile was accounted to seling off.

I terrible the place and National Tenna Centre

They better not keep playing the Open here—he continued that they do e your will end up like (Arthur) A he to tyour will have heart attack. He as humadity surplanes thank overhead ill the time nor e.

A locker form after last appeared next to Natta har har He car tyme epletic but his plate has had a new pair of term har in it Nastase did not seem to rough the locker room aread in after the shorts.

Heart attack. Next considerable such that the time they in 34.18 bis problem for modified 37.

Teo Falin by the was had far hed toweling off. He was walking back towards the tennic court. Notice noticed the attendant standing there holding has now hort. Historic shorts Size, 34. Poy der blue. Nature stood up.

I youse me ever body he said quite politely Azentlem in He pulled down his seaty white Adida tennishorts topped out of them kicked them two let the record shople ise, your henour that he was your ingal pockstrap. I in Brand name unknown

He kicked in the white horis with a stripper flourish Definitely had some Sally Rand in their Natuse then put on his blue horts bowed to the crowd and want back out to play tennis. He won the econd set 75 Palin return divith his bad leg. Nastuse walked of the court pointing trium.



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Was the short that won it for me he said proudly

NASIASI had done a lot of thim he dever performed a fin dance with a pan of Adid is short

We fund right? he was a main the locker room. Who he done that before? Not even me right

Nistisc was sitting in front of hiorner locker. He was enjoying himself. There was some attention for himafter a terrible, our conducted insecret. The next might, there would be more attention. He would pla. McI ntoe in the stadium. For the first time in a long-time, the spotlight would find him. He had skipped. Wimbledonostensibly because of a groin pullsome said he was just alraid to show up and embarras. himself.

Nastase was up for the match really up The event seemed to put h him to old heights. It was the old artist against the young artist and the term was exquisite easily the most stunning of the entire tourn iment. McI make would find an angle and Nastase would find a better one. Nastase found ome old speed somewhere He would run down a perfect placement. McI make would somehow cover the return.

But the art was not enough for Nastase Never was He pirodied McEnroe's slow play The crowd ciled at Nastase he velled bick. Umpire Frank Hammond began to hadger Nistase from the chair Nastase yelled

but at him Nate of talked to Roy I mer on in the crowd he talked to Don Lud of Hamm and who lost control of the match our finally give Nata of a point penalty Later he took as one low is from him (the next step in the point penalty procedure)

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Hammond econtrolly definited National out the match after mother delay Tournament director fall falbert over rured Hammond Tournament refere Make II in hard repeased Hammond in the char The mat needed maind one ocleck in the motants.

McI more weng by the way. The score was 6.4 6.3 6.2

I was burne. Nastar would as afterward. Cressed as yelling at me tempire a cllime at me all night long. What could I do. He had placed and delayed and creamed and implored the heaven. He and McI nroe had inspired each other during the point. It may have been was tases has bound roat. There is a newer beautiful and the four Armstrone Stadium.

Hic Nasta e has played the pame of tennis with oul There is no other was to decribe at We are never again going to see the like of him When he returns for good long after the competition has returned him something

will have gone out of tennic for good. The chemicit will be much more serence.

And who know Maybe Nastase is right. Maybe it could not have invother way for him. May be it had to be ill be outs, and madness and no middle ground lever.

A few day after the McFnroe match before Nistale departed from the Open I asked him it he had any regrets I asked if when he looks back over the whole crazy tretch of road he wishes he had a ed more of his talent.

I verybody he ilways said that if I wa more criou. I would have won more Nastale said. And maybe they are right. But know what? Maybe I vould not have won one more point than I did. Who knows. Doc. invbody? Here is what I know. I had tun and won be in matches.

He had fun. He won big matches He is still around even it he has lost a lot. And I realised at the Open that tenne is a much better place when he is around. I realised at the Open that I would not have wanted to miss any of Nasta e not one point not one sesture. I realised how much life he burned into tenne across the Seven

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The luck of the Cup

Like all great tournaments, the F A Cup in Britain has its own fair share of legends and heroic tales In this, the first part of a new series, we delve into the history books to relive some of those moments of agony and ectasy over the last 100 years

T was the incomparable Danny Blan | | | Chflower who said many years ago "Football is not only about winning it

is also about glory

And that as players of the game and fans alike will admit is just about the best definition one can ever hope to come across in a lifetime. It is the glory that makes the game it is the game that creates the plory. No dic tionary mentions anything about win ning in the context of clory instead harping on honourable fame

On occasion, the result of a particu lar encounter has hinged on a key player being injured or a valuable man losing his touch or even on a momentary lapse on the part of onc man This is what goes to make the game a mirror of life itself. It is axiomatic of many of the greate it Cup ties that the wrong team won

I ootball managers remain adamant that what really counts a a good performance in the league for that is where consistency counts. Yet, this again could be occasioned in part by the fact that they do not like to idmit that there is in element of luck that runs so strongly through the game. Hark back to a scene witnessed all of 28 years ago when Nat Forthouse and Malcolin Barriss of Bolton international colleagues of the great Stinley Matthews stood quietly applauding as the maestro collected at last his FA Cup winner medil in the most memorable of all finals. But was it really a case of the wrong team winning? Let's look back on it

Blackpool were a star studded side to be sure. No less than nine of their players that day had appeared in the Wembley Studium against Newcastle two vears previously so there was no question of rookies in the side Yer within only 75 seconds, they were one go il down and the terrices resounded with hock waves Shortly afterwards Willie Bell Bolton's left half tore a muscle. This was a severe setback because there were no substitutes per mitted. Bell was then switched to out. side left. Hassall was withdrawn to wing half from inside forward and Bobby Langton was moved inside

As Stin Mortensen Blackpools brilliant goal gett i explained was the biggest blunder of all time I don't think we would ever have won ultimately but for that move If there was one thing that Matthews hited it I

was the opposing winger on his flank cackling back I've heard him tell win gers to go away and get on with their own job when he was particularly frustrated By moving Bell to outside left Bolton had sacrificed their means of checking bean Frankly he played only a mediocre part in the game in the first half and really only came into things liter on

Ten minutes before half time Mortensen scored a lucky equaliser and another error by Blackpool's goalkeep er George Farm allowed Moir to put Bolton ahead again With twenty mi nutes of the game remaining the injured Bell made it 31 for Bolton It seemed as it the sands of time were running out for Blackpool but the fans had reckoned without the magic of

Luck also began to swing the way of Blackpool Their left back Banks was gripped with cramps and little Ernie a vior of Blackpool ex loited the situation mercilesely, bringing Matth ews into the game with a venguance Matthews puts at lucidly Mortenson had that sense of knowing just where the ball would drop or how it wis going to break. On the second goal I was really just aiming for the far post beyond the goalkeeper intending to stretch him'

Mortensen was already moving to receive the pass. I think that Stan put it i shade too close to the keeper but Hanson took his eye oft it to look at me and fumbled it. As I slid in behind him with an outstretched foot. I thought the ball would go beyond me wide of the post-but I caught it with my study and it crept in

Yet tringe though it may seem the Bolton defenders did not stoop to illegal means in order to try and contain the brilliant Matthews, who was holding them in thrall. There was not a trace of toul play not even a single push, which speaks volumes for the behaviour of the men concerned Finie Taylor was adamant that Bolton handed it to his side on a plate "They should have switched their full backs Our hero was in fact Mortensen The idea that the match was won by one man is nonsense'

True fellow professionals recognised and applauded the roles played by Taylor, Mortensen and inside left Mudic in the Blackpool revival, yet the public had eyes for one player only

Matthews And Matthews himself? "I had no feelings at all" he said 'My concentration was very good I knew it was essential not to panic, which is so often what happens as it did to Eng land in Belo Horizonte

But Blackpool were still one goal in arrears when the match went into injury time. The crowd was in a frenzy as the hands of the clock ticked inexor ably closer to zero hour. With just over a minute remaining. Blackpool were iwarded a free kick just outside the penalty area on the left

Mortensen wa crdered to take the kick. I put the ball down and I couldn't see the goal is they lined up the wall brnie Taylor said to me there's no gap' but I said I was deter mired to have a go. As I turned to walk back I could see Linic Shimwell our right back racing to take up a position on the far post. When I turned round is un one of the Belton player had moved off the left hand indicate wallto pick up Shimwell and now I could see the post. When Shimwell moved up-I d thought of chippins the ball but I decided to have a belt and the moment I struck to chall I knew twis in The cores were locked at 3.3 with only 35 second to go Bolton kicked off and lost the ball. They lost the ball almost immediately and it went out on the flank Banks was beaten ind Barrass was too late to cover up Matthews recalls Both Morty and Bill Perry were waiting in the middle. Morty was nearest, but he was too far forward. almost ahead of me and there was no angle to put the ball in front of him But Bill was coming in just on the penalty spot When I beat Banks I hat the ball hard and low I slipped as I did it but the ball went straight to Bill and he

Thus ended one of the most en thralling F A Cup battles the gospel according to Sir Stanley Matthews

THE miracle team in 1957 was Man chester United, or Busby's Babes, as they were referred to then Matt Busby had moulded them into fighting side, tough as nails and talented as well They fought hard they played clean, but they gave no quarter and asked none either They won the League that year in an impressive display that made all other teams look like novices, but their luck changed in the Cup tournament



Sir Winst in Churchill presents the FA Cup to Newcastle captain Joe Harvey in 1452

In the sixth minute of their encounter with Aston Villa Peter McParland of the latter side leapt at United spoilketper Ray Wood and broke the latter's checkbone in the process Wood had to be carried to the dressing room leaving ten men with an uphill battle Without doubt it was one of the worst moments in the history of Man chester United poised as they were on the threshold of the coveted double

McParland's own account of the incident contained certain contradiction. Immediately after the game he aid hen Wood caught the ball (from 1 cross). I went in to shoulder charge bim ind he turned is I hit him. But he i bacquently, admitted. I had just missed in easy chance and was determined to jet the ball again. Wood was there in front of me and I charged them as hord as I could. Certainly, I was injury at the time, but only ignry with my off.

Frank Coultas the referee said afterwards. Should I have sent McParland off? Personally I saw no thing vicious. It was clums, but with no foul intent if Wood had not gone down I would not have given a foul

Jackie Blanchflower was with drawn from centre half and went into goal and United managed to reach half time with the scoreboard still blank. I wenty minutes from time McP island scored for Villa and then five minutes later he beat the detence once more to make it 20. The first goal he headed home off a cross and picked up the second off a rebound although on this occasion, he was at least three yards offside. Tommy Taylor scored for United just before the end but one of the noblest teams ever was denied a well deserved victory.

WITHOLT a doubt, the greatest upset ever seen in Cup football came in 1973. One must digress a while on this subject Before Bob Stokoe's arrival as manager in 1972, the

game in Sunderland had ded. The signs of hardship had begun to show in the neighbourhood of the ship building towns of Tyneside and Wear side Young men and women looked older than their years and everything about the locality seemed cloaked in despur Stokoe himself had been a Newcastle player through the glorious years of the Fifties and it seemed he weaved a magic spell. Within weeks Sunderland's fortunes were on the rise When Stokoe joined them they were slumped near the bottom of the Second Division with gates of merely 12 000. A few games later they were driwing crowds of 36 000. No less than 53 000 hysterical fans turned up to see them put paid to Manchester City on the way to the 1973 final. As Stokoc said. I didn't bring back the magic It's always been here. I came back to find it

Yet despite their winning streak there were tew who honestly believed that they would be able to be at might I reds under the famous I or Revie Leeds had an impressive record so impressive that it was almost dianting. They were twice I eague chain pions and five times runners up 1 A Cup winners the previous year and runners up three times. I our times they had been Europe in Cup timalist.

Sunderland pulled it off again tall odds and to the astonishment of some of their own players and atdent camp followers. Primarily, there were three reasons for this First, the failure of the gifted Eddie Gray on Leeds, left wing to exploit a suspect right back. Malone Second, the retreat of Johnny Giles, Leeds, mastermind, into his own half under relentle's pressure. Third one of the most amazing sive ever seen at Wembley, on this occasion by Sunderland's Jim Montgomery.

The inexperienced Sunderland side survived the first twenty minutes, albeit shakily but it was already clear by this stage that they might just it

mucht carry on to win Malone re harded by many as the weak link of the Sunderland side was supported so effectively by his skipper Bobby Kerr that (riv faded right out of the game until he had to be substituted. The only goal of the match came after half in hour from Sunderland's first cor ner on the left driven deep beyond the fir post by Hughes Leeds were caught of guard. The ball flew to Halom who knocked it square across the tace of the goal Ian Porterfield, controlling the ball on his left thigh, swivelled and cricked it past Harvey, the leeds custodian with his right toot And Porterfield it must be re membered was lett tooted! With 26 minutes to go came the moment that will never be forgotten by all those who witnessed a most astounding picce of goalkeeping by Montgomery Peter Lorimer contred and left back Irevor Cherry sprinting through, he ided towards the goal mouth. Mont gomery twisted cat like in the air and, plunging to his right parried the ball It rebounded to Lorimer who was tollowing through At perilously short range he had only to tap it past Montgomery's left hand but he chose instead to strike it -- and he was the most powerful striker of the ball in Britiin at the time

Montgomery had been lying on the ground after his save from Cherry but he flung himself upwards the other way to deflect Lorimer's shot with his right wrist. The ball struck the cross bar and rebounded away. I didn't know much about it he said later

It is considered that the match I was arranged how many of our players troze on the day. It was the most experienced team in the League but it was the right result. Bremner and Giles didn't get to grips with their midfield, and there's just no explanation for thir. We just weren't capable of conceding goals like that

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Sportspeople

A shooter's problems

AITHOUGH India runks among the top ten in the arene of world hooting he can rever win a gold because of the of the prohibitive cost of imported cirtuidies. The indigenous make a sub-tendard and will never tetch a medal in iny world competition not even at the Arin level. Because of the exorbit inteost of { imported cuttidge. Dhanbad's Pran b Kum n R is was compelled to take alon. In off but he is back on the a horom hooter (trap indkerri

lokicy Royone ha to true back to 1951 when it the ig of eleven he are howed in interest in rille hoot (1) He was introduced to this expenive port indencour and by hi uncle Budymath Roy Teasear Later the Katter aith young ter entered a club crypation in Aura He made hi mark ir 1964 here ir the national at Silt Lier he claimed the critt third place in the heavy bore and continued sid this cent for mother two cars when he varietied wer to 4 kun hootenk

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that time was in Bikaner Roy by then was a regular entrant in the nationals (shotgun)

In 1969 his ambition was fulfilled to a certain extent he was selected to represent India in the South East Asian Championship at Singapore where India won the trap shooting gold But the following year in the Polar Crand Prix at Lahti, Finland India tuled to obtain any medal

Then in 1971 Pranab Kumar Rov went behind the scenes not even going to the nationals. This was a great setback for him because he lost the best time maturity comes between 35 and 45 venis. He was torced to with dr iw because of monetary reasons and obviously the high cost of cartridges

However he made a comeback in March 1950 when he was seen winning the bronze in trip shooting at the Chindigirh Nitionals This was a are it impetus for him. Then in Decem ber the same vear his name figured in the preliminary selection trials for the te im to represent India in the A ian Game Sure enough he was selected in the trip event ilong with stalwarts Randhu Singh Dr Karni Singh Gurbir Sinch Min Singh Gurmeet Singh and Prince Bhuy meswari kumari At the coaching camp in Chandigarh all these hooters were coached by the West Cermin international Kerl Hergenber ger. This coaching stint was followed by mother it Delhi where four out of the six shooters. Randhir Singh Dr. Kum Singh Gurbir Singh and Pranib militatile up betrum booting It did / Roy were selected for the inaugural Asian Clay Larget Shooting at Nagoya Lip in from May 13 to 19 But Dr Karni Singh will not be going and is being ubstituted by Man Singh However

shooters will be retained but the ulti mate strength of the team will be four If Princess Kumari is allowed to com pete she should get in There will be, in all probability, a camp at NIS Patiala in November

But one has to appreciate the huge expense incurred by shotgun shooting (trap and skeet) There is no denying the fact that it is the most expensive in the world. The best weapon is a Belgian made Browning which costs a staggering Rs 40 000 Less expensive is a Japanese make which in terms of Indian currency would cost about Rs 18 000 Cartridges have always been a chronic problem for shooters. The indigenous make for trap shooting is substandard and costs Rs 250 for 100 cartridges

All the shooters have to look for ward to the National Rifle Association of India's quota of foreign cartridges The cost is obviously high 100 German cartridges in Indian value means Rs 600 800. For practice before any competition a minimum 2 000 cartridges are necessary and further 1 000 between match and practice

A minimum of Rs 15 000 c year plus range facilities is necessary for international competition. At the moment Delhi Bikiner ind Chandigarh have international ranges and a new range is coming up in Patrila but there is not a single one in eastern India

Clay shooting is not easy. Accuracy. is the key word because the target moves at about 120 to 130 kmph. Clay targets are made of bitumen limes tone dust is indioristone dust leach disc weighing 105 to 110 gm with 2 cm



News round-up

A good gesture

CALCUTTA We cry ourselves hoarse trying to show that athletes are neg lected and that nothing is being done either by the government and the public Despite this realisation we still expect the best from them. However things seems to be changing for the better. Two young men recently came forward to 1w 1rd scholarships the first to 14 year old Anju Das winner of the long jump gold with a record leap at the Bang flore Inter State Athletic Championships the second to Chanda na Chakraborty a promising gymnast who went to the Moscow Olympics with the squad sponsored by the West **Bengal Sports Council**

Incidentally, this is not the first time that such awards have been made. I ast ve it a local I coulib member. Tap ish Mukherjee, set this unique example by giving a schol itship to Mallika Das. This encouraged the broad jumper who went on to equal the existing national mark at Banga lore, as a result of which she and Anjuhave both been selected to undergott uning in the Hyderabad Asiad camp. Mi Mukherjee made enquirie, to see if intil a awards could be made this.

year The response was spontaneous Dinesh Singhania and Om Prakash Sakseria of Oswal Khel Kud Parisad a club in the northern part of the city, responded generously. If the example is followed, it will certainly go a long way in encouraging athletes most of whom hail from middle class tamilies. Well done Oswal! This is a step in the right direction. Why cannot other organisations follow suit? The more help our sportsmen receive, the longer they will be seen in the arena of sport. The tragedy of it is that too much talent is allowed to go to waste be cause of lack of financial assistance.

A CURHESPONDENT

Bhilai champions

ROURKELA Bhilai Steel Plant defe ated reigning champions Rourkela by a solitary goal in the final of the Inter Steel Hockey Tournaments at Ispat Stadium here recently Barring a few anxious moments, the match never rose to expected standards. On top of that the mediocre final was marred by rough play particularly in the first half

In the early stages of the match. Bhi lais A. P. Singh and Amaricet of Rourkela were given marching orders for indulging in rough play. Thereafter both the teams played purposeless hockes—mostly confined to mid field—making the proceedings mono

tonous However, the hosts had the better of the exchanges They missed two golden opportunities because of erratic shots and poor finish The second half saw Bhilai come into the picture and make several raids. In the very second minute after resump tion, the Bhilai right wings r raced down towards the rival circle and sent a beautiful cross to unmarked left out E Tirkey, who sounded the board with a powerful hit After this Rourkela, with renewed vigour, did everything to get the equaliser, but they paid dearly for their poor finish. Credit must however be given to Bhilai goalkeeper Gur Charan Singh and detender Robinson who prevented the hosts from wresting the championship on their own home ground

SATISH SHARMA

Rural winter games

CALCUTTA The second all Union rural winter sports games held recently in the Carpathian Mount unsithe we teem Ukrame gives in idea of the accelopment of winter sports in the Soviet Unions rural sports ocieties said Peter Kobyzo. Chairman of the Central Council of Rural Voluntary Sports Societies. Some 6 sanillion people participated in the stages of the game. 15 million more than the first rural game, held four years ago. Most competitions of first stages were

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held like real sports festivals with a large number of participants from different walks of life. The result of the game is of great importance for the main object of the Soviet physical culture movement is to improve the nation's health. This is the only basis for the training of top notch sportsmen and women capable of winning in the international arena.

The stress on rural sports competitions have paid rich dividends. About ten competitors showed better results than the USSR Sports Master stan dords in the finals of the skiing brath lon and ski jumping competitions in the Alpine settlement of Vorokht i The brithletes VI idimir Aksyonov Linis Neimanis and Nikolai Shyley performed extremely well-thereby emerging is automatic choices in the junior rank of the national squad-Unfortunately Avdeves assume rural brithlete who participated in some major internationals including the | World Cup and showed good results could not win a single event in Vorokh It is This peaks volumes for the high level of competition at the rural level

The second our il games included sking rices. Nord combined sking umpine the brethlon mount in skiing skiting such is the ringe of the vister sports cultivated in the run il near of Soviet constituent republics today.

Junior ithletes competing along with the grown ups sometimes, howed but erresult. To cite in example the young Ukraini in mount in skier. Anton Foltynsky was the id of all junior and adult competitors in the grant slalomatice. The trainers of the Soviet national are now pinning their hopes on him for future international.

Bankmen triumph

INDOR! The pre-tigiou. Yeshwint Club Fride and It ide Cricket Trophy dong with eight a twids were given to the winners. State B ink of Indore and tuners. Up Yeshwint Club by former Test cipitaia Bishan Singh Bedi. Cash awards to the disabled were also given by I verest hero Major Ahluwahi. The galefunction was attended by leading luminaries like A. W. Kanmadikar Secretary Cri Control Board. Chandu Sarwate. Test. Tector Mushtaq Aliand eminent industrialists like Mr. R. D. Mohan of Mohan Meakins.

The revival of the tournament has in all India significance because of the fact that this very club once boasted of ate im consisting the late C. K. Nayudu C. S. Nayudu, Mushtaq sh Chandu Sirwite B B Nimbilkir and Khandu Rangnekar in the 1940s Dur ing that time the club team consisted of almost all the players of the famous Holkar te im that was generously patronised by the late Maharaja Yesh want R to of the erstwhile Holf ar State (now Indore) The revival of the Yesh want Club tournament therefore, brought back reminiscences of bygone RIOTY

In a special interview with Sport sworld after the function. Bishan Singh said. "It is time the Board real ised that there ought to be amicable communication between officials and the players. I would emphatically say that just as a player is dropped from the Jest team because of his poor form or perform ince, likewise, the Board officials should also step down voluntarily if they have unable to deliver the goods. This could well apply to the various State is sociations as well.

Bedistrongly denied rumours that the ebullient MP Mr Kamal Nath is interested in entering the arena of the organisation of the game. Bedis aid. Mr Kamal Nath is only interested in setting things right—getting the right persons in their proper places. Once he sets things right, he will dissociate himself with the organisation of the game.

Similarly Major Ahluwalia pointed out some very interesting facts about mount inneering. He said. Moun taineering is very import ant for each and every sportsman. It helps in building up our taining because initially we are required to trek long distances at chigh altitude. This could well help the middle and long distance runners in the mainer of the Keny ins who also trek at high altitude. But the most import and fact about mountaineering is that it instals in us the killer instinct that is osaidly lacking in all other games in our country.

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Unlucky Brij

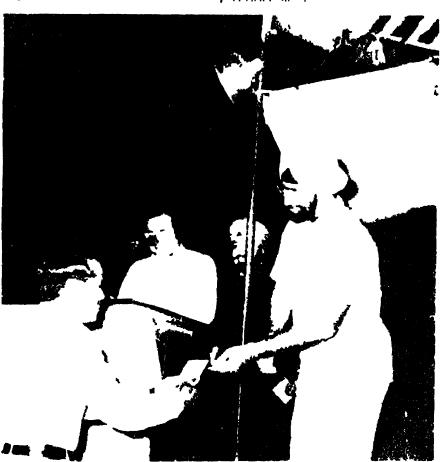
CHANDIGARH It was a particularly unlucky day for the 1980 Punjab University 10 000 metre champion Briq Moh in when in April last ve ir he was found copying from a piece of paper containing a B A Part I English question while appearing for his B. A final Geography Apaper He was doubly unlucky because he was eaught red handed by a flying squad form the Punjab University. The squad comprised a powerful university bos, and that started the trouble

Since then the promising athlete who has represented Chandigarh in four nationals the last in Inter-State meet at Bangalore where he run the marathon in 2 hrs. 45 min a law uting his result. He has approached the authorities several times but they are set to react while examination come and so

University inthoritie told this correspondent that his case rested with the Unian Means Committee But when a ked why the candidate was not being allowed to appear at the next examination, the authoritie agreed that it was unian on their part but said they cannot do anything.

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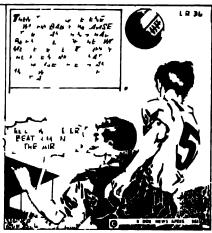
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Sunil Komar Dibrugarh

Q What were the details of India's score in the second innings at Calcutta against West Indies in 78 79?

A Gavaskar 182 n o Aunshuman Gaekwad b S Clarke 5 Vengsarkar 157 n o extras 17 consisting of 12 no balls 1 bye and 4 leg byes total 361 for 1 wicket declared. The first wicket had fallen at 17

Shibu Jaso Kakoli Calcutta

What is Gavaskar's performance in En glish County cricket in 1980?

A Gavaskar played 15 County matches for Somerset in which he aggregated 686 runs from 23 innings (with 3 times not out) at an average of 34 30 with 2 centuries 2 fifties and one duck

Sanjay Agarwal Calcutta

Q What is the record of most sixes in first class cricket?

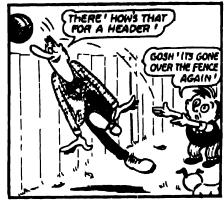
A 15 hit by John Reid of Wellington in New Zealand in the Plunker Shield match against Northern Districts at Wellington in 1962 63 Reid had made 296 in the innings

Supriva Basu Calcutta

Q How was Viv Hichard out in the second innings at Calcutta against West Indies in 1974 75

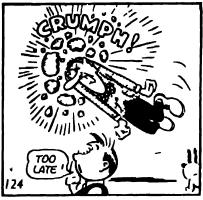
A Richard was bowled by Madan Lai for 47













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Chinmoy Roy and Dela Chakravarty, Calcutta Who took the highest runs in an over in Test in 6 ball over and 8 ball over? A 24 off 6 ball over each by A M E Roberts

(West Indies) and J M F Morrison (New Zealand) against England at Port-of Spain in 1980 81 and Pakistan at Karachi in 1976 77 respectively and 25 by B Sutcliffe and R W Blair of New Zealand in 8 ball over against South Africa at Johannesburg 1953

Q Give the name, of the members of the first victorious Indian team in Tests? A S Mushtaq Ali P Roy V S Hazare (Capt) V Mankad L Amarnath D G Phadkar P R Umrigar C D Gopinath R V Divecha P Sen and Ghulam Ahmed

Probel Gube, Chabua @ Who performed the first that trick in Tests?

A F R Spoforth or Australia performed the first hat trick against England at Melbourne in 1878 79

Biswajit Das, Khagaria Q Which of the English and Australia cricketers have written books on cricket? A Jack Hobbs Len Hutton Peter May Colin Cowdrey Ray Illingworth Fred True man Alan Knott Tony Greig and others from England Don Bradman Jack Fingleton Ray Lindwall Keith Millar Richie Benaud Ian Chappell and others from Australia have written books on cricket

P K Chatterjee Howrah

Q When and where did W G Grace make his last century in Tests?

A 170 vs Australia at The Oval in 1886

Sushil Jain Howrah

Q Has any hatsman scored over 500 runs in a series without the help of a century? A Yes Conrade Hunte of West Indies made 550 runs in a 5 Test series vs Australia in Australia in 1964 65 with 89 as his highest score in 10 innings

Anilonda Shattacharjee, Gashati

Q Who was the first Kiwi batsman to score a double century in Tests? A M P Donnelly who made 206 against

England at Lord's in 1949

Mrs Debjani Chatteriee Hoogly Q What is Bedser's full name? A Alec Victor Bedser

Gundu Bose Bombay Q What is Dhiraj Parsana's best bowling feat?

A 1 wicket for 32 runs in the Madras Test against West Indies in 1978 79

Sujeet Ray Bistupur

Q How many runs were scored by Sunil Gavaskar in the calendar year 1979?

A 1 555 in 18 Tests

Q Who has captured most wickets in a series for India?

A B S Chadrasekhar who captured 35 wickets in a 5 Test series against England in India in 1972 73

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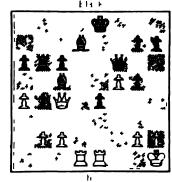
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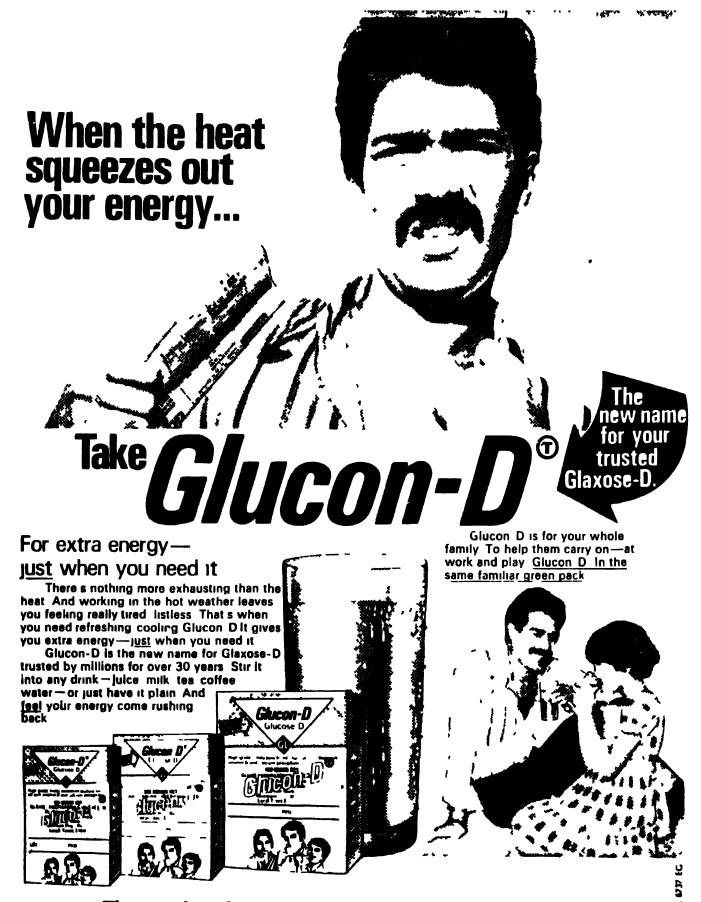
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Rao means well for Indian sport by emphisising the need to introduce profes sionalism immediately But he has not sorted out his thoughts properly with the result that his views fail to

Letters to the Editor

More on pros

REFFR to Mr Venkaresh Rao's letter Profes sionalism needed (April 15) by virtue of which the writer has roped himself into the discussion conducted by Mr Indragit Sen and Mr Soutik Biswas through the columns of Sportsworld on the issue of professionalism in sport

I would first and fore most like to remind Mr Rao that the term professional ism in its most un idulter ated and righteous form means the pursuit of in occupation ordinarily in dulged in is a source of livelihood. Now in India nearly all active sportsmen excluding the footballers representing big clubs, and Test cricketers are financrally hardup. As such the priceless peirl-profes sionalism of the selected

affluent sportsmen is most likely to prove the white elephant of the remaining legion of the less tortun ite under privileged ones Mr R io should realise that the isolated case of Calcutta tootbillers, which he cites by way of substantiat ing his beliefs regarding the introduction of professionalism in our country does not retain its vericity when viewed in the context of the community of Indian sportsmen as a vhole Creating conditions where in playing a game would become a full time aff ar would in the ultimate analysis prove disastrous to Indian port ind sportsmen Se isonal unemployment which is one of the most chronic form of unemploy ment in under developed and over populated countries like India- will set in like a cancer in the lives of all sportsmen other than the big shot affluent ones and is a result, they will find themselves more tru trated and more impoverished

than ever before I can understand that Mr. touch any degree of credibility. What is really needed is a balanced step by step approach to the complicated issue of profes sion dism

Before venturing to in troduce prote sionalism directly it should be ensured - through special Government legislations if necessary that a minimum remuneration is fixed below which no sport man be he in ithlete or a cyclist i to be engaged for in event and that more funds are kept uside for the ports men's proper training prop er nourishment and post retirement welling. These two teps will build up our inexperienced imiteurs mentally to the highly lucry tive but equally gruelling life the a true professional has to lead

The vill also render us tully equipped to sculpt the olid base of professional ism Mi ki) filk ibout However a follow up action is necessary to ensure that the fullest benefits are extracted from the introduction of professionalism in our country. It hould be seen that on turning proour sportsmen do not fill pres to frustration due to unemployment during the off season i.e. the monsoon. The Government itself. should shoulder the responsibility of providing them with part time jobs with the net result that their work never interferes with their sporting activities and vice versi

RAHSHIOSHIBombay

Thank you

THANK you for pub I lishing the article 'Cal cutta Hockey RIP" by Sub hash Sarcar in the April 8 1981 issue Being a sports magazine you have done constructive work in the past by publishing a series of articles on soccer vio lence in Calcutta And we are happy to note that this time you have come out to prevent violence in Calcut ta hockey I expect more of these constructive articles from you in the future

SUBHASIS MAJL MDER

Calcutta

Like it or lump it

HL minia for coaching camps has THE mainta for command and obsess the developed into a malevolent obsess sion that car knock all the marrow out of the requiremented (2) bones of Indian hockey Index Mohan Mahajan was not very convincing in his detence of the involved pattern of zonal camps he has re-inflicted on the national scene to select sixteen players for the World Cup He did not have to be

The IHL Executive has not shown the collective courage to challenge the President's initiative even with repard to the tooli h pipe dream of usurping the administrative control of women hockey. But some of its members suffer from an inner compulsion to pass. snide remarks about the presidents hare brained chemes in private

conver ations with friends

Is there trouble brewing under the surface? Or we these only reflexive grievinces! The time sort of thing happened when Ashwini Kumar wis in command. I have seen it before. Invariably the democratic forces upholder of constitutional authority are too confused and uncertain to create in effective opposition to high handedness Will the men who voted Mah ijan into office for a four ve ir term revolt against him?



Will be make the site

The terrain is unfamiliar Ways fence affers may consider it too treacherous for a frontal a sult-Mahajan security he in the vitero He has rever been a chart copper where democratic alues are concerned Power corrupt. Mahajan has grown more autocratic. He would like all power to be control in one peron himself that i not urprime After all he was the lucky charm in the Ashwini Kumar necklace which did not include a World Cup gold

The IIIF President is also the chair man of the national selection commit tec Mahajan does not do his soul searching in public But he gave me an inkling of what's going on his metho dical mind at a party hosted by BHA President Baptist D Soura for Rene lrank Between adle pufts at an enor mous cigar. Mahajan asked if I had seen any good left half backs

What's wrong with the victorious Olympic skipper' I countered

Biskaran No no he said He ha cen his best years. He won't stay the course until Asiad 82

Are Baskiran's days as an Indian internitional numbered? He turned in ome smart performances for the dethroned Railways in the recent Nation il Chimpion hip in Jullundur He completely bottled up Bombay s Kiu hik in the semifinals. He hand top the ball cleanly for penalty corner. He was played against the Ru rus He may make the sixteen But he vill never be considered as in iutomatic choice for the first eleven

This remind the of the smart ruse I re-orted to be selection committee



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chairman Sinn in Jullundur in 1972 Coach Babu his assistants and minager designate. Kesh iv. Dutt had him cornered on the choice of capt in for the Munich squad Sami talled at first to wrigge out of a tight spot. The player you have in mind must be an automatic choice for the first cleven he said.

Naturally reterted Babu who was in Livour of the rean externent of Harbinder whose head rolled when Pakistan natched the Asian gold med all frem Indias hippery arap with a odden death goal in Banckok in 1970. But five informatic choices vere named to satisf the chairman Aneng them with Babu Singh (We tern Rui viv). He was at the enith of hippowers at the time But the mercural forvard and not even make the final rean.

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The best backs in the country today are Surjus Devinder and Rajin der the said. He was in solid ground. No one demurred Mahajan vale on a curified. I think that Onkara agreed left half back. He as tenacous. He to the players of the opposing winger. Other player uppermost in the president mind Rajinderpal Somayya Cumul Kaushik. Charanjar Kuman. Merwyn Lernandes. S. S. Crewal, Sodhi Mohd.

Mark you that not a bad election for cocktail party conversation. Lisbin has the makings of a sound half back and the more I see of Parminder the more I like him as a centre forward. He is the faste to forward with the ball in the game today. He is more penetrative and incisive than either Grewal or Sodhi. He decrees a break Bat that's neither here nor there.

The pivotal point in the Pyrimid votem—the orthodox formation we sorship is an attacking centre hill We do not have a player of genuine international ability in our midst to day. Further the pattern of our playlacks variety imagination genuine in vention and the element of surprise. Our top players are not technically perfect. Functional training is not encouraged at coaching camps. The faults remain

Team formation does not by itself ensure success at hockey or so cer for that matter Experienced and capable



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players are the all important thing But we in drawn in a tough pool for the World Cup Holland Australia Inclind USSR and Malaysia New traces and trategies have to be deced for us to get as far a the emitting

That i who I advocate the 1333 system of play I have arrived at this conclusion after a careful analysis of the command over basic skill, and the qualitie of the players in the running for berths on the national representative side. The vacuum I recommend is based on the capacity and capabilities of the players.

The system I feel is a better frame for the player, than the P rimid 2.5 formation It. Illofter unlimited possibilities for the application of a wide variety of tact cilideas. It would strengthen the defence without we defining the attack. This is important It would enable us to control the play between the rival 25 yard line and reduce the number of pen discorner we concede to the barest minimum. That one was of keeping Holland's Paul Litjeas, at bay

The sistem will call for two winger and a centre forward. The flankmen would be Kaushik (Charanjit Kumar) and Zafter Iqbal. Grewal. Sodhi or Parminder could be played at centre forward. The three half backs would be Mohd. Shahid. Rajanderpal. and Merwyn. Ferna ides. The three full backs would be Baskaran (Onkar or J. bar). Surjit. (Devinder). and Sc. asya (Garmail). The sweeper v howill be entrusted with zonal defensive duties, and provide double cover would be Rajander.

The three spearhead forwards would be as igned to an exclusively attacking role Fernandes and Shahid would function as withdrawn striker and look after the opposing inside or maybe a notto-like history-lowly

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Now just what was Rail ways Raj Kum ir in doing in Indian colour during the recently concluded National Weightlitting Ch impionships He had no right to don national colours which are reserved only for those lif ters who have represented India in the international arena Not only is Raj Rumar in not entitled to we it this costume but he tinished a miserable sixth in the 60 kg (feath

crweighticle. Though several people per ited out. that Kumaraa had violated tradition neither the refere northe lury of Appeal did anything about 11

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Cil swell that ends well

All right so load shed ding is a common le iture in Indian cities. But who ever he ud of it occurring in oil rich Dubai? During Pakist ini player Younis hmed shenefit match there which was played under floodlights Ahmed's side was in a rather comfortable position They needed only 31 runs to win, with ten overs to go and seemed well set for a victory. They moved closer and closer to the target a loose ball was served and the batsman moved in for the kill when—Hey Presto—the lights went out

The choosing of the Aussie team

PETER MCFARLINE

THE Australian Cricket Board took only 48 hours to get one the book of Creg Chappell is their wal from the 16 main touring to an to England before naming Kim Hughe 27 a cap on and the experienced sicket keeper Rod Mach, as his deputy

Hughes who has played 33 Tests captumed his country even time, dur-



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mg the plit with World Serie Cracket and only tive dissibilities in return to that position led Western Australie to the 180-81 Sheffield Shield Marsh earlier in the cross had refused the job a Hushes deputy in Western Australies but told Board strictly he yould accept any appointment for the Lineland tour

The third tour elector all be former let lex pinner leter lithpott who has been appointed en let manager of the side. The appointment is a new one for in Australian side, and a based on the role played by the late, ken. Burungton in recent lingland ade. Philpott played eight lests in 1965-96 burdid not tour lingland with in Australian side. However, he has had extensive experience in the langer hire league.

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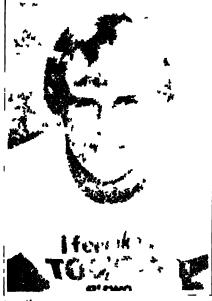
Chappell's unival ability although hinted at force end weeks before the end of the error enginethe electors, by united He is widely recorded at the best busman in the yarld at present and with 5719 run a behind only Sir Denild Bridman and Neit Havey et his country's leading cover in test.

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The loss of their leading run cetter crused the other electer. Phil Rid inc. Sam Lox on Alm David on in l Ris Lindwill to receit their plant is the touring party. From a reliance onthe old kuird of Chippell Tiller Mach Walters and Thom on the moved to start a long term rebuilding plin Thu Walter sho cered 19 run it 76 Tim six Test again t No Zeilind ind India wis lett out is wa Thomson whose 46 Sheffield Shield wickets in the ear on cost him only 20.59 run, each. The outery over Walter one of Australia most popular cricketer was as boistero i is it will predictable. One Libour Federal Parliamentarian harry Ohen called for the sicking of the selectors and for street protest marches In some NSW country centres their were protest marches. But the demonstrators seemed to forget that in four previous England tour. Walter had been less than successful in Test matches

In the finish, the emphasis was on batsmen—and youth Fight of the par ty are primarily batsmen—Hughes Allan Border Graham Yallop Tohn Dyson Graeme Wood Martin Kent Trevor Chappell and the 22 year old NSW player Dirk Wellham Wellham has played only five first class match es but scored 40% runs it 68 including two centuries. Yallop and Victorian left arm spinner. Ray Bright were recalled after being overlooked for this se ison's international matches. Trevor-Chappell was perhaps the only real surprise of the party. He is a dourtop order but mein a put time seim bowler but a brilliant fieldsman who probably can thank the profession. it one day a imes on tour for his place. Lillie once usin will be a the brunt of the ittick

His a occure in the pice attack will be Rod Hogg Goott I won of NSW and the Western Australian new omer Terry Aldernan Alderman 24 a right arm bowler of steady rather



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County Cricket

The charm of the championship

JOHN ARLOTT looks back nostalgically on his experiences of thirty-five summers on the circuit'

THE English cricket occurs quite unique in sport It consists of the players of the eventeen countres the supernumerate the physiotherapists scorers (secretarial trafers denot count because they do not move round the circuit) and a couple of do en ! umpires. The travelling Press in it it not alvays traly part of it completes the company I cw communities out a side the Services at a comparlap in the pit are as close as the cricketers. who for ome 120 day in month ne together even days a veek mine hours aday (perhap to ateen it is a game of tradling in coaso again l down the country to mactivity and boredom or performance. There ip time at the district of he eather

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lt i l a hyme than a life tyle utterl pecialist to those outside in e inprehensible but for invoice who ha belonged in it in any espacity both beguding and compelling for none is it more cruelly nostalkic than I Glamorgan Saturdays instituted by

for the young cricketers all too sidly ! rumeret who are cood enough to reach it and sixour it but not to e tablish them else in it.

It would be difficult to point to its riche t period. Some think the 1930s. shen counts cricketers had reached a tordard of hing above the average and sere in the considerable minorit haccould afford motor cars. The old seed burger very calling and the prote icial lived it ease Other mucht choose the immediate poliwar or a when cricket represented for o a in the network return to normal. I aty and the places basked in the

It burely matter. The circul was and a tachtle knut a place of under ruchus impuths and triendship at cricker history created at close quarter. Cricket's need for money though erally in the cree of Yore Life and I has changed the character of the ounwhen he isit of in A) trahan touring tern we amented by people victor the game because it diverte Uniterest trim the criou matter of the Count Champion hip So trongle we that view held in influential quarter, that M. Followin and full Poor travelled I two leading cracket is and note: mateur in Stinle Jick on and A I Stoddard pulled out of Test marches to play for York hare and Middle extra pectry by an Championship to be empsed of eld the fart two n mile

> Now the cricketer must go where hi broad i best buttered lests through radio and television tees, and spon orhsip as well as gate money. provide the same with su ten inco. The one day same has created a fresh eparate and financially important audience. At the ame time it has At the lime time it has changed the tempo of the deeply my lyed at a tempting to say in bred domestic game. The John Play er Leigue has given crickering finance in immense fillip. At the same time it has de troved the old tradition of the away match weekend. They-about eight even were well sayoured occaions. A te im playing in another county settled ir to its hotel on a Friday night until Iuesday morning

Saturd is night was important the



Iony lews wer begending so were the Humphice Benefola esson Sanday was such a occal occasion a to be almost rritual Orien here was a match for the local beneficiary and on of the visiting ide would make up the number. The morning though vice edeep naulsence Hotel (it) econed in retropict or least to make in extraction to indulae men sho to e quit lusur ou l'Inte so the players lingured over their breakfasts while the Sinday paper, circulated to it accompiniment of comment blumes coold so and o got a hundied against Sorthants Tyon and the aid heroldnipti the quek

No indecrete ider ould counter. I er pulled inna elemba third over and went off. From the other ide. Such ind nach top our igain. on a tinker again (Surrehey must

mutch mornings had in 1130 start now they are all 11 c clock. That though would not have inhibited Col in Inglety Mackenzie runner and prices Jack Bannister lucky dips in the bowling and cor Wilt Wool ler's critical survey

Stul though the cricketers break fist cin be a millionaire's mealexcept in hotels which apply an only climpdown or where the ciptain ordain especial earl morning ner or fielding session

Sundays the Benson and Hedges the Gillette have tended too to break up the old pattern of the fixture list Hampshire's Northern tour -Not tingham Yorkshite, Lancashire and sometimes Leicestershire on the way back -used to be a cherished fortnight which forged some reputations and won some team places. Yorkshire used to make a Western or Southern tour, at the end of August and early September On their Western tour of 1914 they beat Gloucestershire and Some rset in two days apiece with an un changed team, and only used two bow lers-Major Booth and Alonzo Drake Neither George Hirst nor Wilfred Rhodes both of whom were in the side so much as turned his arm in a week Booth's tigures were 6 for 48 6 tor 41 5 for 27 and 0 for 50 Drake 5 4 for 41 4 for 40 5 for 16 and 10 for 35 They were still young but neither lived to play after the First World War

There is no lite quite like it and none enjoy it more than the players Yorkshire cricketers of the time recall Barry Wood's reaction to his first away county match - Byyyyyy real. It is it once a freemasonry and a situation which must be detended in

unending competition

Not all away sames are holidays The crumbling former splendour of Bradford the isolation of Old Trafford the lonely valtness of I dgb ist in during a count match the primitive Eccommodation on some of the clubground used by the peripatetic counties all these have their particular gaps in sympathy Still Southend Hove Scarborough Blackpool We ton super Mare Bournemouth in other fishion Worse ter Notting him Teicester Edgleiten London Swansca Bristol have their particular attractions and diver on Unally too there is the ocial a ion atta play with the local ades though inthese days those common are trequent and horter than of old. The lest match cene i new important even reverberant. It is not though and never can be such a humanle important matter is county cricket.

Go to any Champion hip mat h especially on a third has the placer ire still ficroely involved their hother crowd is negligible. Then you are with in it the quiet broken by the harp bark of Citch it as a bat pad catch rebounds within reach the bowler's grunt of effort, the mack of a ball, the batsman calling for a run or his panic stricken. No no get back often decorated with expletives untit for the ears of the younger spectators the warm hot life of the game

There men scareers are made by a good innings or broken by failure far from the headlines but deeply under stood by the other twenty one players the umpites and Pres men close to the heart of the matter

This game essentially in its three

day form is cricketers cricket Day in day out through the summer for the county cricketer it never flags for the involved follower it never palls

Without it lest cricket -certainly Inglish Test cricket--could never be the same again. Yet, to many it must seem an anachronism. For those who have known it and lived in it there can never be a substitute and as the season comes round again those who have left it feel a loss nothing else can make good

I nurtesy Wisden Cricket Monthly

An exciting season ahead

MICHAEL CAREY, DUDLEY MOORE and DAVID FOOT assess the sides that will do battle in the coming months

NOTHER opening another show! Another it opening another the theatrical allusion is deliber ate not only because many fine cricke ters have been thespians and vice versa but because the Under New Management signs so to speak are

By that I mean that Lancashire Leicestershire Northamptonshire and Yorkshire have new captains in Clive Lloyd Roger Tolchard Geott Cook and Chris Old Not that Nottingham shire's Clive Rice and Derby hire's Ceoff Miller up all that seasoned is le ide i

At Irent Bridge they are naturally optimi tis about the chances of improvinc on last eason when Ricc led them to third place in the Schweppes Championship their highest position since last winning the fittle in 1929.

The only new tace is that of Ian

Pont who hop's to find more oppor tunity here than with I ssex Middle order batting has been Nottingham shire's main bugbe ir and they are hoping that perhips Pont or Nanan ceruelly injured during one of the classicst innings I saw last seasona will solve some of the problems

Still as none of us needs remind ing the kime seems ill about fast bowling these days and Notts are understandably jubilant at having persuaded Hadlee to renew his part nership with Rice You may be as surprised is I was to learn that as a pair they did not operate together until August last year and Notts still tinished third!

I dare say a little grass will be found on the Irent Bridge pitches Apropos of that when Ron Allsopp was named groundsman of the year he



Robin Jackman- Surrey's bowl to hope

received greetings from Rice which said "See what happens when you

listen to me!"

Further south, Cook leads a North ants side which need fear nobody As secretary Ken Turner who can be as laconic as Gary Cooper on these mat ters sigs live of the side have appeared in three cup finals, so they know what it is all about

Cook has led Northants and Fast ern Province so will not be entirely thrown in at the deep end But his leadership will obviously be an important factor, especially as Northants attack is the sort that needs careful handling or even nursing at times

With their batting strength they may again be better equipped for one day success, but let's not forget that the 100 over restriction has gone (hoor iv) and with pitches covered Cook and Co could remind us of the days when sides made 500 by lunch on the second day

this indeed may even happen in Derby hire especially if the incredible Kirsten is again prolific Who knows even Miller might find that maiden hundred not so elusive now that the game does not demand a suicidal approach from middle order harsmen

If Hendrick is fit again and in the right frame of mind Derbyshire's howling will be all the more formid able. He has spent the past tow months building up his shoulder muscles in a Derby symnasium Lack of quality in the spin department was one problem last ven but I hear that with no di respect to the ever willing Steel Derbyshire are recruiting Dallas Muir, of Sectiond will his dressing room in k are to || |R || or Sue Ellen || ||

Mile larner tells me with justifi thle pride that Leacestershire have spent another £ 100,000 on ground improvements during the winter makin one £ 500 000 in three years on the trial though Tolchard leads a side that it till in the throes of being re diape of

It will take a year or two says furner but he is quick to remind e er me that I encester were challeng my for the John Player League title list ye ir until the penultimate match We have a wealth of young talent which needs time to mature—but we can still be competitive warns Iurner

He feels I cicestershire's position is not unlike that of some ten years ago when several elder statesmen de parted But now there is no Mckenzie or Higgs instead it will be fingers crossed for Agnew's recovery from gl indular fever more progress by Par son more consistency perhaps from Taylor

Nick Cook should continue to glad den the hearts of all with the future of spin at heart. Freed of the problems of captuncy Davison should be able to blita opposition attacks to his heart's content and although Tolchard may preter to skipper and keep wicket, no opportunity for young Garnham to further his craft will be lost, I am assured

Up north, overdue success for York shire would be applauded by all who admire their policy of sticking to home grown players. Thus their four new young recruits come from no where more exotic than Ackworth or Barnsley

Chris Old's ideas on captaines now come under the microscope A. I. S. Trueman would no doubt remind one and all there is a precedent for a fast bowler leading Yorkshire successfully albeit briefly and Old should certainly have absorbed enough know how in his 15 or so years in the game

With Boycott to close up one end there should be no problems about the batting Only one County bettered Yorkshire's 15 individual centuries la t summer though it is often how the runs are made that counts and we look to Hampshire Athey the newly capped Love and one hopes a fully fit



Chris Old- will he be able to hing you to Yorkshire

Sharp to provide some of the flourish On the kind of seamers, pitches so often found north of the Trent Old Stevenson and Sidebottom are capable of bowling any side out but if it should be a long hot summer Yorkshire's spin section might look a bit thin how strange to write that about Yorkshire

Their old adversaries Lancashire have often looked a better side than final placings have indicated in the last year or two on Clive I loyd now falls the task of combining with mina ger Jack Bond to restore a few former glorics

It must be frustrating to uncarth a bowler of Willie Hogg's potential and then lose him to another County But if Lee is fit most of the time and Holding available some of the time, Lancashire may not grieve too much over his departure `

I loyd will surely find it interesting facing the daily problems of leading a County side after almost uninter rupted success at Test level and his ability as a tactician and a motivator may be one of the crucial factors in the Red Rose summer

PHE cron of the young player. I that could well be the hope for Kent Su ex and L ex ail of whom have recular fast team place to be

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Graham Cooch is one of the placer me thkel to continue in the Inclind t side and it has already been calculated. by Is ex that he will me. To of their Champion hip matche. So with Mike. Denness now in charge of the Second Al the chance is laid farmly on the line for busmen like Mike McEvo and Alm filles to become in the instead Lits. There will be keen interest too innew boy Neil Foster, who bowled pretty fist when he interrupted his A level studies list of on to make his debut

Middlesex and Surrey first and second in the 1980 Champion hip will begin with much the lime accessful line up. The champions though will not have Vince van der Bijl-more's

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That endearing fighter Peter De

nning is willing himself to find plenty of runs, albeit with the assistance of his electronic seed. Chewton Carve, in his benefit were And as a long range tip. I wo for Nigel Popplewell. There may be a few technical flaws but he slively arritty and especially a natural for the one day matches.

Due we say it again? Mike Procter—ucces rate is going to be the Clouce tershire yardstick. Everyone imagines he will be bowling less fast and less frequently. The county of course till build need his frontline ilong ide beneficiary. Brian Brain with the new built. Procter seems to be people are mig about how long he all be playing. In fact, his captain could end before his ultimate exit At his best through the covers he still looks. Pristols he mest thing to Hammand him elt, and few can chip a six



Hoger Talchard- Leicester's new leader

into the cir park with more ludicrous disdain

Sidiq Mohammad and Andy Stovold are due to start making really hig score as an The graceful Zaheer Abbas who may not be around so much longer in this country as particularly anxious to make this a prolific summer And don't let's pretend that I creestershire exile Barry Dudleston is wanted primarily to skipper the 2nd XI. His experience asset in the Championship

Hampshire who have topped the table twice in the last 20 years finished ignominiously at the bottom

List summer Things—i the insiving with apparent justification down in South impton—can oil better. Here also the West Indians arbrick again with the sorel mised Gordon Creenidge hoping for complete fitness again. Slow bowler John Southern is staying on after all and vottingh imshire. Ho 2 stumper Chris Curzon still only 21 has made the switch in the hope of challenging Bob Parks now that Bob Stephenson has retired.

After the uncharacteristic diappointments of last cason. Hampshire have a few p vehological barriers to overcome. They may occasionally have to permut me their over easily last cry until South African Chris Smith is qualified. For a number of a civil but relatively unproven county cricketers 1981 will be a testing time. None will be trying harder to pull out that extravard of pace and extendith repetitore of shots than the engaging ham from lett. Father Maurice will as even be rooting for him.

Warwickshire may again be referring their best results for the ore day cricket galvanised by their John Player succes. They may still be bort of consistent seam and we can only roscour tingers for Bob Willighton. There is a strong batting look about the county and some capable reserve strength. But just watch Dilip Do his bowling figures again. He nominducateer his it times reflected from the odd tion il scope, will be a leading wicker taker.

Agele's Alan Jones dso has a title tical interest in the new sea or. He's starting his 26th vear with Clamore in and we shall be very surprised it his doesn't amass his custo nary thou and runs. There were genuine signs of improvement in 1990, there had to be really after the previous burien summer and Javed Mi and id will once more be parading a reasoning irray of shots Burbidian Fra Moseles will with idded accuracy and experience go on fetting better though the seam attack may still be deficient at times. And it will be a strange Glamore in side without the long serving and wholehearted Tons Cordle who has left along with the towering Ands Mack

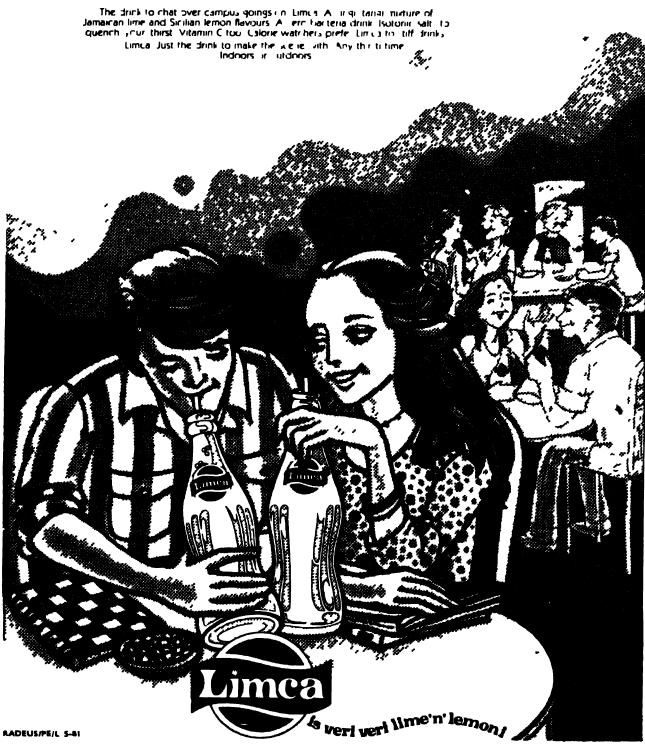
That willy bird Norman Cifford with a benefit to think about this year wont be leading Worce steashire. Glen Turner looks like being a sharp and astate successor. He is place who thrives on responsibility. He and Alan Ormicol could again be breaking a few bowlers, hearts. Worcestershire, have occasionally been criticised for middle order trailty. Jack Birken have should bring welcome depend ability here, just as he often did for Leice teashire.

There's no end to the Burbadian conveyor belt of fast bowlers. If Mas Boyce gets round to writing a some about them he d better include Harrley Alleyne.

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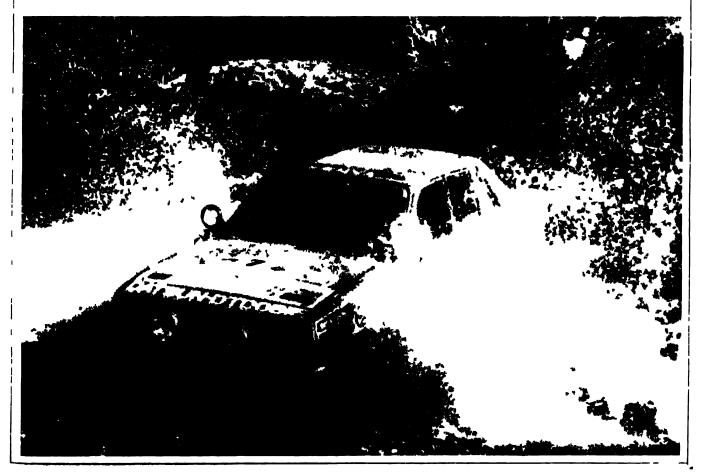


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Till kl. has never been in thing like it before Probably there will nex r be a un Such a diplay of all round domination will be hard to report and a the indiences who thronged the hall at Navi Sad will have to consider them else fortunate in that they are read lide the Chinese player advanced a it nothing could ever top them and ultimately took every in le title there ye. They smashed the chapped the parried they rillied but they eldom did the wrong think. The comed to have all the in wer the right trategy The seemed to have the neartre of all their opponent they had a transle hold krip in the World Champion hips I

and they were not prepared to relax for a minute

In the team championships they humbled mighty Hungary. It must in deed have been sweet revenge for the members of the Chinese team who had been beaten by the Hungarians at the last World Championships held at Pyongyang The main architects of China's victory were Vie Saike and Asian singles champion Shi Zhihao World No 2 Guo Yuehua was not included in the team in order to strengthen his chances in the singles a confident yet bold move that paid dividends

In the women's team cham pionships there was never really any



L own from countryman Chai Zhenhua



en scrown. Chinese cai Zhenhua versus former champion. Sweden's Stellan Bengtsson. The



Shi chihan rallins in the second game againt Bengts . It , after to win 21.10 but he 4.5t the match 3.1



Hideo Goto gets ready to serve to Guo in the first round

opposition to the acknowledged supremacy of the Chinese team. Qt Baox rang Cao Yan Hua and Zhang Deving combined to rout the South Kore ins and lift the Corbillon Cup for the fourth time in succession. They have made this event their own private property and it seems that there will be no one to challenge their supremacy. The only threat—if it can really be called that—will come from the Asian countries.

The first round of the singles cham pionships provided thrills sees in encounters and even sensitions. The world No 1 Seiji Ono of Jipan who was not very impressive or consistent in the Swaythling Cup tell by the wayside outplayed by unfancied John ny Hansen of Denmark One lost the first game at 16 but fought back in a determined fashion to take the next two at 15 points each. However, Hansen outsmarted him in the fourth, using the double flank spin attack to deadly effect and left the Japanese at 12 The tension was thick as both players were evenly poised at two games all but Ono took an early lead in the final game going the id at 107 when the players changed sides. Two backhand returns gave Hansen a th ince to get back into the same. One took the next point with a loop drive but Hansen fought back taking the next two. One later got a net cord that gave him his first match point but Hansen gambled with a scorching

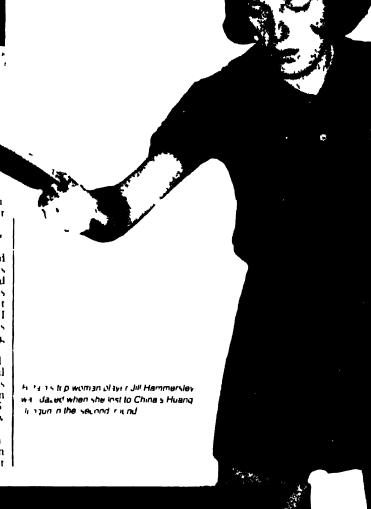


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game he kept up the pressure in the subsequent games despite the clap ping whistling and shouting of local fans which seemed intended to affect his concentration. After his victory he said 'I was upset by the crowd, parti cultily in the decider. It one goes by performance, this youngster has a great future ahead of him He is the youngest player ever to reach the last 16 stage and already has quite a repu tation as the European junior cham pion. He made his entry into the last 16 in this town ament by virtue of a victory over North Korean Hong Sun Chol winning three games to the latter's one

However I indh strace for glory was cut short when he met Yugoslav grant Dragutin Surbek. I indh took the first game 21.16 but went down in the next three 17.21.19.21.17.21. Other upsets were to follow when 1975 world champion Istvan Jonver outpowered ninth seed Josef Doracek of Czechoslovaki.

21 17, 21 13 23 21 Another seeded player, French ace Jacques Secretin regarded by many as the world's best defensive plaver, was shocked by a non entity Atanda Musa of Nigeria The Nigerian won the first game lost the next two and finally pulled off the impossible by winning the next two games in a row Musa ultimately succumbed to experienced Chinese play er Huang Liang the world No 18 who in turn went down to former title holder Stellan Bengtsson who won the title at Nagova Japan all of 10 years ago took control of the game winning no less than 10 consecutive points from 99 in the final set. Huang re turning shots from seemingly impossible positions made Bengtsson fight for the last two points of the match



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South Kureans Ro Yooh Kwan jiefti and Hwang Na n Taka ri 2 1 202 151 the West Ge man team in the mixed doubles which the former with 1 in

Fingland's John Hilton also fell in the early stages of the tournament. He was defeated by Ro Yoon Kwan of South Korea in five sets. Much hid been expected of Hilton the Lurope in men's singles champion but he failed to live up to his reputation. Kwan made his exit in the next round bowing out to Surbek.

The Japanese who ruled the roast at the last two World Championships received yet another setback with the defeat of Hiroyuki Abe who crashed to Czech Milan Orlowski, the 15th seed However the Czech ice bowed out against fourth seeded Wing Hui Yuan in the pre-quarters, but Yuan was defeated by Surbek in the next round Along with Surbek in the quarters were Bengtsson, and Klampar who constituted the Luropean challenge.

Bengtsson who was pitted igainst Shi Zhihao of China had a tough time before he ultimately won. He took the first game 24.22 but lost the next before going on to win the next two Surbek beat Yuan 21.19. 21.17. 21.11 while Hungarian Klampar went down to eventual runner up. Guo after the latter had conceded the first game Klampar's exit meant that only two European challengers remained in the draw.

The Bengtsson Zhenhua encounter rose to dizzy heights. This five set match held the crowd enthralled a both players attacked and counter attacked constantly in a spectacular display of controlled aggression. Can won the first game 21.14 and took the second with apparent ease at 21.9 But Bengtsson made his intentions clear and forced the Chinese are into sub mission, taking the next two games.



21 13 21 17 But that was not the end the best was yet to come. Bengtsson led 104 in the final same but Car fought back to first driw level and then take the lead ultimately winning the game at 21.16. Despite the vocifer ous backing of his home crowd. Surbek bowed out to Guo in the other semifinal to set the stage for an all Chinese final

The final was a rather tame attair in comparison with the Bengtsson Car encounter Guo triumphed in four games with the scoreline reading 21 14 17 21 21 14 21 16

It was a case of third time lucky for Guo a 25 year old schoolte icher He was betten in the 1977 final at Birminghim by the Japanese Khono while at Prongring in 1979 he was forced to retire in the final against Ono

IN the women's section, the only real upset came in the second round when Jill Hammersley of England was beaten by Huang Junquin Hammers les the top I urope in challenger was beaten 21.7 21.4 21.10 in a decisive encounter. Fop seed Zhang Desing was knocked out by world No. 4. Tong Ling in only 20 minutes with 7h ing s

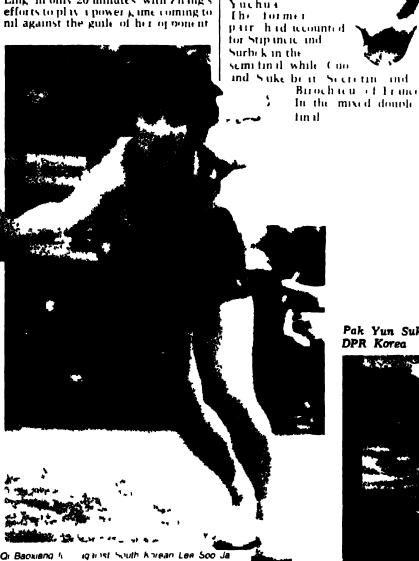
All the European players had been climinated by the fourth round a remarkable occurrence leaving is firls from China and one each from North and South Korea in the lea eight long line whose sleeps appear ince proved deceptive vet ignin-

earned a place in the semifinal by virtue of a win over Pak Yong Sun of North Koreat while Ihank placed havoc with Pu Oijuan In the final long ling best teammite (10 Yan Hua in i thrillini live setter winning the decider '115

The Chinese team completed a clear sweep in the championship taking the doubles title is well In the men's event which was also in all China aftair Li Zhenshi and Car Zhonhua deteated

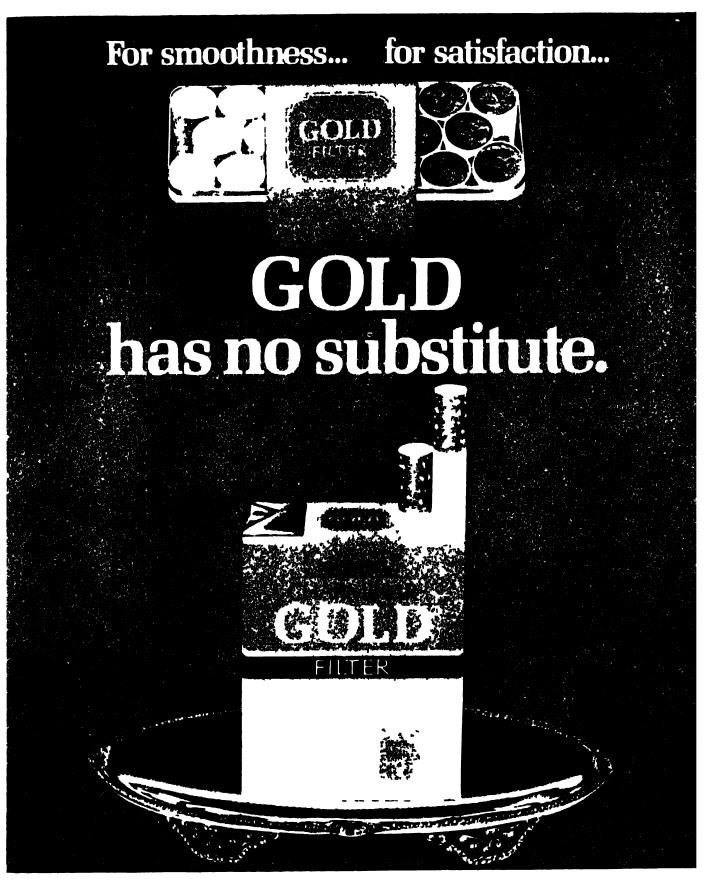
Nie Saike and Guo-Yuchua The former pair had accounted for Stip incic and Surbok in the semitinal while Cuoand Suke be it Secretare and

Stike and Huang Jungun beat Chen Ninhua and Long Ling in straight a smes. In the women's doubles. Zhang De include Car Yin Huabest Tong Line and Lu Oiju n Depute repertedly carner efforts on the part of he Table Tennis Fed critism of Index the country, challenge ended almost is soon but more is it be a m on the next seck



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Chris Evert: The "elder statesman" of women's tennis

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stribes, by players (gradgingly), by her father (lovingly) and even—wonder of wonders—by herself Perhaps that was what damaged her image before she had even made it big on the international circuit, the fact she had an inflated ego. It probably prevented her from acquiring a fan following comparable to that of Fvonne Goola gong. True they flocked to see Evert play just as they flocked to see Goola gong play but there was a subtle difference. While most of them came in see Goolagong win they came with the same enthusiasm to see Evert lose.

She had genius, there was no doubt about that So what if her father talked loud and long about her prowess? And yes there was another ister Jeanne who threatened by effection become something of a star but it seems become doubt only the would never match her illustrious elder aster who was without doubt lestined for tardom and immortality. Remember the Pimous quote by Remember the Pimous qu



second set, then you could do it "

Evert was destined for stardom There was no doubt about that Her brilliance on court was amply matched by her ferouty her will to win the intensity with which she drove her opponents (and most of them were senior players years older than the newcomer) to distraction

CHE was only 17 years old when she Omade her Wimbledon debut in 1972. In a sen e her reputation had preceded her and crowds flocked to see her play There was not a flicker of emotion on he face while she played and so almost exerught as it were he was dul bed The Ice Maiden Put you had to him but to her She certainly was talented In ter he chose est le of play that not terr es thought had you on with to backness chinese hew somerage of the mental in the tealing ten to ekelthi eah i tiget 1/ 111 And 1.1.5

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HFRL is no shortage of new face This is no snortage of the scene scene and that's for sure. It takes two co three years to a player to mata e bu there we plents of youngsters who arto idy a see into the shoes of the old rice it. It was different when I came us she say. There were eight top player in everybody recognised a new tace Last year at the U.S. Open It is revereiven seen fifty per control the air is in the locker room. There are so many of them now I teel lost hiv or ten years ago there was just one player coming up. Now there are ter players coming up and none of them really stand out

The has no illusions about the way

she has conducted herself on court | 1 don't think there is anything wrong with howing a little emotion lead some players it works better than or keep everything inside. It always comes naturally for me That's magenta names I don't thrive on being in the limelight being the centre When ! in on the tennis court I don't feel live Hey everybody came out to see it : and I migrany to put on a good show to them. There always thought well ! am goirs to play and try my be taid () an here to wir obviously I would loto set a good example for these kids. but that sithe was I am and I m rot doing it for them. I think also use I. think that Lam a good comple line.

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was disappointing Neither did any of their players shine individually, nor did they play as a team This team consists of a lot of players who have already seen their best days. It is time the club authorities induced new blood into the side Railway FC, who figured ninth in the Calcutta league did well to get themselves into the top eight list of teams in the country They are a spirited side with a lot of determination And their greatest asset is their neversay die attitude They won against Orkav, diew with BSF and held Mohun Bagan for 65 nunutes before conceding two goals in their ranks they have a striker Kanjit Chatteries who is not afraid to go for the ball in one to one situations—a trait sorely missing in Indian soccer-This i another player who should be cilled to the camp RFC proved at lea tione point -a side need not have ic dividually brilliant player—the foot baller must play as a team. They narrowly bowed ou after securing three point is Mohis Baran to e ir I BSF fou in heir cluster.
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wards and defenders—a sure sign of a good linkman

A MONG the players from the gla mour teams from Calcutta three stoppers stood out Incidentally, all of them were Bhattacharyas—Subrata and Samar (Mohum Bagan) and Monor in in clast Bengal). The two stoppers of Mohammedan Sporting Moidul Islam and Romen Bhattacharya played well in patches. Except for the plaser in the Mohammedan Sporting attacking line—Manash Bhattacharya Shalobu. Ali Md. Akbar and Bide his bose no other front liner impressed the combined well and serie easily the most dangerous ext of attackers in the foreignment.

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RAILWAY F.C. VS. ORKAY MILLS

The opening match of Cluster I between Bombay's Haiwood League champions Orkay Mills and Calcutta's Schior Division outfit Railway Foot ball Club was very ordinary fare—not at all befitting a quarter final league match of the 'Champion Clubs of India' tournament Both the teams were playing after a gap of 10 days, and this was evident from their performances. The tie also proved that except for a couple of players, the teams have nothing much to write home about—defensive lapses were aplenty and the rival forwards waited for their opponents' mistake, rather than creating openings

The Railway side, which ultimately won the match 2 1, was pluckier, with a lot of determination and fighting spirit But at the same time it seemed that they were suffering from psycho-



FAST BENGAL VS SALGAONLAR L D Francis and a Salgaoncar defender to the

logical pressure and for the last 20 minutes they appeared to be a very disjoined lot. To add to their problems Sanjib Dey who has been the kingpin of the attack sustained an injury in the opening minutes of the match. He continued playing till the lemon break, but he was never the same player he had been in the beginning of the tourney.

Orkay, on the other hand, relied almost totally on the ever green and burly Bernard Pereira who, despite being closely marked, created open ings which the other forwards tailed to capitalise one. However, at least on one respect, the Railway side were better than their opponents—they used their wings more, which stretched the Orley defence.

ed the Orkay defence

The RFC's first goal was a gift
Kishore Mukherjee's 35 yard drive
going in through Shekhar Bangera's
hand. RFC could have consolidated
their position at that juncture, but
their forwards wasted scoring chances
Orkay soon struck back when Pererra
paved the way for Amarjit Singh to



MOHAMMEDAN S C \S SALGAONCAR Shabbir Ali jumps high in the air to head in front of the Salgaonkar goul



MOHUN BAGAN VS RAILWAY F C An RFC defender clearing the ball



EAST BENGAL VS JCT C D Francis scoring the first goal

equalise In the second half, Ranjit Chatterjee connected a pass from Bakul Das, substituting for Kishore Mukherjee, to give RFC the match winner They went through some an xious moments as Orkav launched attack after attack and were safely home due to a goalline save by their skipper Nirmal Sett after goalkeeper Santosh Bose had been beaten by the flight of the ball following a corner

JCT vs. SALBAONCAR

These two unseeded teams one from the North and the other from the West, clashed in the opening match of Cluster II, exhibiting some quiet" soccer to share points

able on the part of the latter, who has been playing this tournament with a limp in a number of cases when his stoppers Parmar and Sukhvinder were beaten by the speed of Camillo Gons laves and Joao, he saved the situation for his side Brahmanand, on the other hand, dived to his right and fisted away a Parminder pile drive to bring off a spectacular save it was good to see Parminder, a converted medio, taking shots at goal—an art which he seemed to have forgotten lately

Manjit and Harjinder shone only a patches One failed to understand why Harjinder, a left footed player, was tried as a right wing in the second half He had trouble whenever he got the ball and was forced to switch it to his

tional advantages—BSF had arrived only the day before and were playing for the first time on this ground. Moreover, RFC had become very popular with the crowd

But from the trend of the match it was apparent that the RFC players, especially their young stoppers Biswa jit Bera and Satyajit Ghosh, were awed by their more reputed opponents. They left gaps, not knowing whether to go for zonal or man to man marking, as the BSF forwards, especially Narendra Gurung, kept changing positions. Add to their woe, S. S. Bisht created a panic in midfield with his dangerous tack ling.

One wonders why Balai Chakravar ty, the Railway captain in the last



RFC VS BSF Fontball handball and now headball RFC's Ranjit Chatterjee taking the ball away in a novel fashion from Raj Bahadur

Right from the kick off it looked quite apparent that rival teams knew each other's style of play, considering the fact that they had met on three occasions in the recent past But the approach of the two teams were different While Salgaoncar relied mainly on speed, JCT went for short passes

At least on paper, both the sides looked formidable with seven players from Salgaoncar and five from JCT having represented Goa and Punjab, respectively, in the last Nationals But none of the players, except the two custodians, lived up to expectations. There were only a few scoring chances which were saved by Brahmanand and Shiv Lucian, It was all the more credit

left foot before centering In the JCT defence only Sukhvinder impressed in patches, covering a lot of ground Bhatia tended to be rough, while Par mar was only a shadow of his old self

In the Salgaoncar defence, Anthony Rebello shone with his tough tackles along with Oscar Rebello, who played coolly Salgaoncar had adopted the 4 3 3 formation and all the three medios moved well to help their for wards and defenders

BSF VS. RAH.WAY F.C.

A victory in this tie would have assured the Railway Football Club a berth in the semi final They had addi Nationals, was not brought in to stabil ise the defence when it was fumbling badly Perhaps coach Sankar Sarkar did not want to disturb the combination that had paid him dividends in the earlier matches

BSF maintained pressure and were rewarded for it when Nandkishore lobbed in over the heard of advancing goalkeeper Santosh Bose, after receiving a pass from Gurung In fact BSF would have been two goals up had not another Nandkishore shot rebounded off the cross piece

With the wind behind them in the second half, RFC went all out for the equaliser and succeeded when BSF right back Raj Bahadur fumbled with



MOHUN BAGAN VS ORKAY Surajit Sengupta jumps high in the air to take a first time shot

a centre trom the right and Subimal Ghosh, lying handy backpassed to Ranjit Chatterjee to score

Then, against the run of play, Pra dip Subba sent a diagonal grounder which was going towards the goal Suddenly, from out of the blue RFC left back Aloke Majumder came and pushed the ball away and it appeared to be a goalline save But the linesman, K K George, signalled a goal-to the bewilderment of the RFC players The latter protested and were on the point of coming out of the field, but a timely interference by national coach P K Banerjee prevented them from doing so RFC got the equaliser soon, through substitute Bakul Das, who nodded in from a goalmouth melee

However, the substitution of Bakul Das for Sanjib Dey did not appear justified as Sanjib was harassing the BSF defence and the coach could have waited for some time in the second half when they had the wind behind them Sukumar Mukherjee worked hard in the middle and tried his best to bridge the gaps that were created by his stoppers

From the BSF angle, it was Naren dra Gurung and to a certain extent Pradip Subba who shone But they were allowed a lot of free ground, which they utilised Gurung showed his brilliance and one of his stinging shots from the top of the box, which hit the crosspiece after beating custodian Bose, was a marvellous effort

MOHUN BAGAN VS. ORKAY

Calcutta giants Mohun Bagan be gan their Federation Cup engage ments with a 21 victory over Orkay Mills in a match which was marred by frayed tempers Both Bernard Pereura of Orkay and Subroto Bhattacharya of Mohun Bagan were shown vellow cards, Shivaji Banerjee was chased by the Orkay players and the police had to enter the arena to prevent further trouble

The joint holders began on a slow note but picked up in the second half during which all the action took place Except for Ulaganathan, none of the Mohun Bagan forwards could do any thing of note in the first half Though the new left linkman Sujas Bera fed his wingers well, he was visibly shaky as this was his first outing for a "big" team He was replaced by Shyam Tha pa in the second half-a move which paid dividends as Mohun Bogan

started playing well from then on From one of Gautam Sarkar's cen tres, Ulaganathan nodded in to give the Calcutta side the lead Mohun Bagan continued their pressure with Mihir Bose working like a horse In fact it was Bose who paved the way for the second goal He gave a through to Surajit Sengupta who, after dodging past the goalkeeper, shot home After gaining a two goal lead, Mahun Bagan tended to take things easy

For quite some time, a tussle was on between Subroto Bhattacharya and Bernard Pereira Both were fouling each other at the slightest opportun ity First, Bernard was shown the yel low card Almost immediately, Bhattacharya charged towards him and was pulled up for foul play The Orkay players rushed towards referee Hakeem and asked why he was not warning the Mohun Bagan player? Hakeem then showed Bhattacharya the yellow card

Meanwhile, there was a tussle be tween Shivaji Banerjee and Premraj and suddenly the Mohun Bagan custo dian was seen running, with some Orkay players after him Police en tered the arena and controlled the atfair Orkay were awarded a freekick and Bernard reduced the margin for

his side

Considering that it was their first outing Mohun Bagan played quite well Their defence was solid, especial ly Samar Bhattacharya and Shyamal Banerjee stood like rocks Subroto, when he was not up to his tricks, played well Gautam, as usual, worked hard and was a constant threat to the rival defence Surajit and Pius shone in patches

IOHAMMEDAN S.C. vs. Salraoncar

The black and white jerseys began their Federation Cup campaign with a bang, thumping Salgaoncar 51, and had not Brahmanand saved at least half a dozen shots the Calcutta team's winning margin would have been more

Mohammedan Sporting have a very fast and nippy forward line in Manash Bhattacharya, Md Akbar, Shabbir Ali and Bidesh Bose They dominated the show completely and attacked the Sal gaoncar defence time and again Be fore they opened their account, two of Akbar's piledrivers and one Shabbir header hit the crosspiece To Brahma nand went the credit on each occasion

Shabbir scored the first goal from an Akbar centre Salgaonkar, who dominated the mid field, equalised through Andrew who latched on to a loose ball after Bhaskar Ganguly had just managed to stop a shot from Jose D'Souza Again, the woodwork came in Mohammedan Sporting's way when Akbar's header hit the post But it was Akbar who netted the second goal for his side, capitalising on a defensive lapse

After the breather, the Mohamme dan Sporting forwards were all over the Salgaoncar defence and added three more goals, through Manash, Prasun Banerjee and Shabbir Pra sun's goal, undoubtedly, was the best of the day He exchanged the ball with Shabbir and volleyed in even before the ball could touch the ground

Anthony Rebello was hurt late in the first half and his absence in the second session made all the diffe in the Selimoncar defence. Th

line, especially in the first half, showed control over the ball but they failed to move up with the front liners Thereby, whenever Camilo, Joao and Digamber (replacing Andrew) moved up, they were outnumbered by the Mohammedan Sporting defence

From the Mohammedan Sporting angle, their forwards were razor sharp Shabbir and Akbar worked really hard and even fell back to the midfield to take the ball, because the linkmen Prasun and Prasanta Banerjee were failing to feed them In fact, both Prasun and Prasanta were disappoint ments, as were the two stoppers, Ro men Bhattacharya and Moidul Islam They left gaps which were not being utilised because the Salgaoncar link men were not moving up The wing backs, Aloke Mukherjee and Chinmoy Chatterjee, played sensible football. at times overlapping and generally holding the fort Bhaskar Ganguli was never really tested, except for that goal Among the nippy wingers, Man ash was a bit neglected as both link men, being left footed players, tended to concentrate more on the left flank But whenever he got the ball, he spelt danger

MOHUN BAGAN VS. R.F.C.

The joint holders played a very scrappy game against their Calcutta colleagues. In fact, there was not a single planned move in the first half. However, they came in strongly in the second half to win 20 and become the first team to enter the semi final.

The entire first half was pointless with both sides demonstrating pathe tic soccer RFC concentrated mainly on defence and, to that extent, they were successful In the second half, when Shyam Thapa replaced Xavier Pius, the complexion of the game changed With his flexible body move ments Thapa started creating gaps in the otherwise tight RFC defence. He scored the first goal—a neat place ment after Mihir Bose had deflected a Subroto Bhattacharya free kick to him. In the dying minutes Ulaga nathan ran down the left flank and shot in from a difficult angle to score the second goal for Mohun Bagan.

the second goal for Mohun Bagan
Though beaten 0-2, RFC fought
well with their defenders giving no
thing away Particularly impressive
was their young stopper Satyajit
Ghosh—who is, for the first time, play
ing for a Senior Division Club—who
was not beaten on a single occasion in
a one to-one tackle Alok Majumder
successfully kept a close vigilance on

Suraitt Sengupta
RFC forwards got very few stray chances as the Mohun Bagan defence was tight, stoppers Subroto Bhat tacharya and Samar Bhattacharya playing good and tough football It was good to see Subroto concentrating more on his game than on the antics he goes in for Mohun Bagan did well, playing Sujas Bera as this player has potential and the way of developing it is giving him match practice.

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heartening to see experienced Gautam Sarkar guiding and encouraging his midfield partner Mihir Bose, as usual, was a hard worker—but nothing more

Replacing Xavier Pius just as he was finding his touch did not seem justified It is true, Shyam Thapa made all the difference for the Calcutta giants, but he could have come in place of Bera or even Surajit Sengupta, who was completely out of touch in the Mohun Bagan forward line, other then Shyam only Ulaganathan functioned well

RFC coach Sankar Sarkar also made a tactical error in dropping San jib Dey for the match as Sanjib was having a good tournament. His replacement, heavily built Bakul Das could have been better utilised in the second half when the Mohun Bagan defence would have been tiring Substituting Kishore Mukherjee was also wrong Kishore's punch could have

himself He has put on a lot of weight, was slow and never went for a close, one to one tackle. From the way he moved around, it seemed he had muscle trouble. Khabazi did absolutely nothing and appeared to be a luxury in the side. Though C. D. I rancis was not properly utilised he was the most thrustful. East. Bengal forward. The joint holders' newly recruited young linkman. I areed was hardworking while. Joseph. Machado. was a total failure.

In defence skipper Monoranjan Bhattacharva was a tower of strength and covered a lot of ground Premneth Philip concentrated or his own zone and was successful to that extent, but Shekharan and Mathews were having a hard time containing the JCT for wards

For the Phagwara outfit Manjit Singh proved to be the spoiler Only Harjinder Singh played well but he



MOHAMMEDAN S C VS SALGAONCAR Shabbir Ali scoring a goal

been far more dangerous in the second session when the wind was in favour of his team. Though two stoppers, Satva jit Ghosh and Biswajit Bera, played safely they were somewhat responsible for the first goal

EAST BENGAL VS. JCT

If one goes by the result it may seem that East Bengal played very well to beat JCT 30 But the truth was far from it. They gave a very listless display, not at all expected from such a strong side. There were hardly any constructive moves and they won the match as the JCT detence was weak and the forwards wasted chances.

The biggest disappointment for the Calcutta outfit was Majid Baskar the Iranian who had changed the comple xion of many matches last year with his individual brilliance. But in this match he looked only a shadow of

was tightly marked by Monoranjan It was a pity that the ageing and injured Inder Singh was forced to take the field in the second half Though he was nowhere near his best form he created two openings for Harjinder and Mohinder, respectively, but both were wasted In the defence, only Parmar shone ICT had further problems as Sukhvinder did not take the field owing to an injury and Bhatia was forced to play as a stopper

East Bengal, however, began with a bang, scoring in the very second minute through C D Francis who nod ded the ball in following a faulty clearance by custodian Shiv Kumar Thereafter East Bengal lost the grip and it was JCT who dominated the proceedings The Calcutta giants' second goal came through Iranian Jamshid Nassiri who latched on to a faulty clearance by Manjit Singh, mid way in the second half The third by

Sankar Adhikary who replaced Kha bazi was similar to Ulaga's goal against PI (He can down the left tlank and shot home from a difficult | the chances angle

Madr is tans expected a lot from I ast Bengal as it was the most publicised side But they had to return home disappointed Perhaps it Amalray and Sudhir Karmakar (both were injured) had been in the side it would have made some difference JCT in a was threw awas the match as they enjoyed the more of the exchanges but could not convert them into goals

BSF. vs. ORKAY

That the system of having a group league in the quarter final stage has some flaws was evident when these two teams met. It was the concluding tie for the Bomb is outfit, and they had no interest whatsoever in the proceed ings of the match. They had lost their earlier two engagements and even t victory in this encounter would have mide no difference as far as their position in the Federation Cup was concerned It was evident from the very beginning that they were least interested which also himpered the performances of the BSF players be cause whenever the opponents play purposeles tootball it is bound to effect the other team

BSF netted once in each half the first by Pridip Subbi and the second by agoing but never fay die Nand kishore. The latter also had to face the mortification of seeing two of his pile drivers rebounded off the side post

Though BSI won comfortably they never impressed as a ream. They rely too much on Narendra Curung who again played well. The entire BSF game is so revolved around this young and nippy forward that one tends to think what will happen if he is not able to play well for a single day!

MOHAMMEDAN S. C. VS JCT

Having assured for themselves a semi final borth in the first half itself Mohammedan Sporting took things lightly in the second half Satisfied with their 30 margin of victory they threw JCT out of the tournament the latter managing just one point from three matches. This match had to be played at 2.45 pm, in the oppressive heat as another match between Fast Bengal and Salgaonear was billed for the late afternoon

It was JCT who had created open ings in the initial stages, when Bhaskar Ganguly was twice beaten by the flight of centres from Manjit and Harjinder Singh respectively But there was no one to convert them-Kashmira being the main culprit Mohammedan Sport ing gradually settled down and netted three goals-the first by Akhar off a Bidesh centre the econd oft a header by Shabbir from a centre by Manash and the third by Akbar again following a centre from Bidesh Fach goal was

the result of a planned move-the wingers racing down the flanks centering and the strikers converting

Once is in the Mohammedan SC torwards exhibited their sharpness and speed. They fell back to get the ball and by using the wings to the maximum level they stretched the ICT detence Prasanta Banerjee play ed better on the day and constantly ted his forwards. But the other link min Prasun Banerjee had vet mother off day. The defenders left gips and were lucky that the JCF forwards wasted chances especially Kishmira who could have got a hat trick

Manut once again spoilt the game for JCT. He hung on to the ball too. much and upon there were a lot of mispisses. Harpinder played wellcreating a few openings, but it was not possible for him flone to carry his team through

The supervision of the match left much to be desired Referee Sriniva s in had no control over the game. An incident will illustrate the point Betore Mohimmedan Sporting had opened their account Shabbir was pulled up for offside by the linesman but the referee did not blow the whis tle The limping JCT custodian Shis Kumar pushed the ball and the two stoppers Parmar and Sukhvinder waited for the whistle Shabbir who was nearby though Shiv Kumar had taken the free kick darted in and got the bill Luckily for JCT Shabbu could not score The JCT players sur rounded the referee and manhandled him and he in turn showed Parmar the vellow card. From that point onwards he made a mess of the whole game which generally tended to be rough Luckily no further incident occurred

EAST BENGAL VS. SALGAONCAR

All three glamour teams from Cal cutta secured places for themselves in the semi final when East Bengal beat Salgaoncar 2.0 in the second match on May 1 It was far from an easy victory both goals coming in the second half

hast Bengal began where they had left off against JCT playing very mediocre soccer They could not cre ate a single opening in the first half. In fact Salgaoncar enjoyed the better of the exchanges

The joint holders began with a new vigour after the breather, scoring through Majid and Jamshed Both goals were the result of fumbling by the Salgaoncar detence rather than constructive moves by the Fast Bengal players and both were powerful shots at close range which gave Brahmanand no chance at all Previously, Brahma nand had saved his citadel twiceonce each against Machado and Franci

Majid was more active in the second session when he moved around and tried his best to create openings He was yet to strike the form he had shown last year, however Except for

that one shot, Machado did nothing either The other linkman Fareed, is a hard trier but he will have to polish up his game

Fast Bengal started with three medios Khabazi being the third But the Irani in was off colour and was ultimately replaced by Sankii Adhik its and they returned to the 424 formation. The defence stood its ground well Monoranjan Bhat tacharya displaying yet another fine performance. He was ably helped by the other back who did not let the Sulgaonear forwards have a clear look

at their goal

The Salgioncar forwards are also to be blamed for that matter. They hese tated in taking shots even though they enjoyed territorial supremacy. They bidly felt the absence of Camillo who had to rush back home because his fither was sick. The two Rebellos Anthony and Oscar working as stop-pers played touch football always nipping dangerous movements in the bud It was their style that hampered the Silgaonear team. This 4.3.3 formation becomes vieless unless the link men move up ind down. Playing with a tremendous load it becomes impossible for them to carry on for 90 mi nutes. The entire side play well in the first half but as the game rolls on they get tired and the linkmen do not move up. The forwards are always outnumbered by the rival defence. It happened to them in all their other matches and it is now high time they did some serious thinking on how best to solve this problem

The report will not be complete if referee L. Joseph's name is not mentioned. He was whistle happy and some of his decisions were strange while he apparently did not think it necessary to notice the signals of the linesmen. In fact he had no control over the match at all When a Mand shot hit the inside of the crosspiece and came back to play the I ast Ben gal players appealed for a goal but the refered told the players to continue with the game. Suddenly the Fast Bengal capt un Monoranjan, ran over and hit the referee who did not even have the guts to warn him leave alone

show him a card'

MOHUN BAGAN vs. BSF

BSF entered the field sate in the knowledge that even if they lost by two go ils they would be through to the semis. On the other hand Mohun Bagan needed only a draw to head the cluster and perhaps for that reason it scemed that they took the matter too lightly. In the process they gave their worst performance of the Federation Cup BSF enjoyed more of the exchanges and even went into the lead in the first half only to have it neutral ised in the second

The goal Mohun Bagan conceded was a self goal by Subroto Bhat tacharya An innocent looking free kick from the midfield by Surinder Singh floated in front of the Mohun Bagan goal mouth Both Subroto and Pardip Subba went for a header but the ball grazed the former's head and went in

With introduction of Biswajit Bhat tacharya (replacing Shyam Thapa) in the second half, Mohun Bagan played comparatively better soccer, albeit till they got the equaliser Surajit Sengup ta squared the ball to the over lapping wing back Compton Dutta whose centre was met with a fine header by Mihir Bose

The Mohun Bagan defence had a tough time containing Narendra Gurung, who had another field day This fine ball player kept his rival defenders on their toes with his intelligent dodges. The inability of the Mohun Bagan forwards to penetrate the BSF defence became more and more apparent as the game progres sed. They were surely missing the services of the speedy wingers. Man ash Bhattacharva and Bidesh Bose, who joined Mohammedan Sporting this year. Surajit Sengupta did not even think it necessary to go for the ball—he waited for it to come to him He was replaced by Arup Das but the youngster did not have the time nor the opportunity to prove himself.

BSF played the first time clearance game, but even that did not help the Mohun Bagan midfielders, Gautam Sarkar and Sujas Bera to gain sup remacy Both ran around a lot but did nothing of note They are yet to strike a combination, the like of which Gautam had with Prasun Banerjee, who has also left for Mohammedan Sporting It was only the two stoppers, Subroto and Samar Bhattacharya, who shone this day for Mohun Bagan even though the goal they conceded was the tault of Subroto, as he did not respond to the call from custodian Pratap Ghosh, who played a superb game The stoppers had an additional load as the two wing backs, Compton Dutta and Satyajit Mitra, failed to keep the BSF torwards at bay

MOHAMMEDAN S. C. vs. EAST BENGAL

This was the most eagerly waited match of the Federation Cup These two Calcutta giants had clashed in the final of the Stafford Cup a few weeks earlier but this game had failed to produce any definite result Moham medan Sporting were sitting pretty with a better goal difference and a draw was enough for them to head the cluster On the other hand, East Ben gal had to win if they wanted to avoid Mohun Bagan in the semi final

In the ultimate analysis, the better team won, both goals coming from the best player of the day—Md Akbar It was in the fitness of things that he was given a rousing reception by the supporters and a guard of honour turned for him when he was boarding the bus on the way back to the hotel

In the dying stages of the first half, Shabbir Ali went for a header and



RFC VS ORKAY Orkay custodian Shekhar Bangera rushes out to foil Sanjiv Dey

Premnath Philip gave occasion for the referee, Milan Dutta, to award an indirect free kick inside the box Bidesh Bose pushed the ball to Akbar who found the corner of the net, beating the wall of defenders with a swerving kick

The second was an amazing goal A centre from overlapping wing back Gautanga Banerjee (who had replaced Alok Mukherjee) was headed down by Shabbir Akbar got hold of the ball and with a single movement volleyed it in from the corner of the box—a real gem of a shot, which gave the East Bengal custodian no chance at all

The match itself started on a verv scrappy note with both teams sizing up each other cautiously. The rival defenders believed in first time clear ances, but Mohammedan Sporting gradually gained control of the match and twice East Bengal custodian Dilip Paul saved pile drivers from Manash Bhat tacharya and Akbar In the first half, East Bengal created only one opening but a timely clearance by Romen Bhat tacharya saved the situation East Ben gal played better in the second half, created a few chances but could not convert them into goals Except for a brief spell, Mohammedan Sporting al ways had the upper hand

Both teams reserved their best for the big match While Moidul Islam in the defence was cobl and calm, Romen played robustly to thwart the East Bengal attack It is said that big play ers reserve their best for the big day Prasun Baneriee did just that—he played soccer as he is capable of playing and was ably supported by the other linkman, Prasanta Banerjee The two strikers, once again, played their hearts out Shabbir and Akbar even went back to help the defence when their citadel was in danger. They play ed with a tremendous load and chal lenged the rival defenders constantly giving nothing at all In comparison, the two wingers, Manash and Bidesh were a bit subdued, especially Bidesh The latter tended to ignore the use of the flanks and did not use his speed to the fullest advantage

Credit should also go of course to the East Bengal defenders. The two wing backs, Philip and Shekharan, played sensible football, not allowing the wingers to use the flanks, whenev er the opportunity arose they went forward overlapping to help their for wards Manoranjan Bhattacharya started well but when he was beaten by Akbar and Shabbir, especially in the air he tended to get irritated, which affected his game Sudhir Kar makai, playing for the first time in the tournament, displayed some of his old skill and the rival strikers found it difficult to get passed him Machado was once again a flop in the midfield region It would have helped the team a lot had Amalraj been there to assist hareed But that was something that could not be done, as Amalraj was injured and was not likely to take part in the tournament

Fareed played well and it was his centre which created the best chance for East Bengal A defence splitting pass was not utilised by either Jam shid or Francis At that juncture East Bengal were down by a goal Anything could have happened had that chance been availed of Majid showed some glimpses of his old form, but being heavily guarded could not make too much headway

East Bengal did not utilise C. D. Francis on the wing. He has speed and does not hesitate to shoot. He tended to move in which made the task of the Mohammedan Sporting defence easier Bringing in Priti Ghosal in place of Khabazi did not pay dividends Moti Singh would have been a better choice as he is capable of holding on to the ball.

The game, which tended to be on the rough side, was well conducted by the referee Milan Dutta who took some bold decisions—decisions which other referees would have shed away from, especially when big teams are involved Not once did Mr Dutta ler the match get out of hand

BEIGHTON CUP HOCKEY

Adivasis in the limelight

A LACKIUSTRE tournament Few spectators: A pattry in more of participating teams. That in essence was the story of this year's Beighton Cup tournament. Even ten good out station teams are enough to guarantee spectator interest in this a dying tournament but this year no inore than four outside teams joined local outfits in the quest for the oldest hockey tournament in the country.

Even the standard displayed by these four reigning champions West ern Railway. Ranchi's Heavy Engineering Corporation and Mecon Sports Club along with the I ast Zone camp trainees team the IHI. XI was not up to ver much The Aga Khan was cancelled as it would have been difficult to field teams as the top notchers were all away at the five zonal Asi in Games preparatory camps. Despite this setback therefore it is to the credit of the Bengal Hockey. Association that they went ahead regard less and staged the 96th Beighton Cup.

Actually a number of outstation teams had withdrawn after having confirmed their entry and there was the dancer that the tournament would

be reduced to a farce This would indeed have happened had the East Zone 1HF team not come to the rescue to lend an element of glamour. This was the only redeeming feature ilthough the IHF side which need not even have entered did so to gain match practice. In addition a few play ers belonging to local clubs were released from the camp in order to strengthen their respective sides thereby adding to the element of competitiveness Even these players however had to adhere to the camp rules and had to report back to the camp after their matches. The clubs that benefited by this arrangement were runners up Mohun Bagan (Jag tar Mohammed an Sporting (Birendia) Bihadur and Sokhi and Listern Rail way Athletic Association (Ravi Kumar

Sure enough the entry of the IHI team did add glamour. It also won the cove ed trophy on a solitary goal lead taken in the first leg of the double legfinal against unfortunate Mohamme dan Sporting who despite an all out effort failed to equalise and share the trophy. The IHF side added another teather to its cap when Olympian Merwyn Lernandes was adjudged the best player. Though the first leg saw the combined side taking a through centre forward Susil Topno the standard of the match was very ordin ity Even the IHI president Mi I M Mahajan said that it was like a club match and nothing outstanding Chief coach Balkishan Singh and for mer selector Leslie Claudius added that even individual talent was mis

What was most glang in the

second leg was the frequent show of cards Altogether five Mohammedan S C player were shown cards—3 green and two to cool off behind the goal line temporarily. The IHF players combined well but missed three absolute sitters while the local side had ample scope to equalise.

The old warhorse of the black and white team Olympian Gurbux Singh's presence added to the team's coordination but sometimes his behaviour carned the displeasure of the umpires and in both the legs he was shown the green card

Although the IHI Al wrested the title from Mohammed in Sporting in the double leg final the tournament was conspicuous by the scarcity of goals. He breakers had to be enforced on four occasions. Similarly, four encounters were decided on penalty pushes.

The term that carned the most ippliu e wi Rinchi's Mccon i side comprising only Adivisis including tour Bihar State players who took part in the recent Jullundur Nationals Most of the tribal boys had the famous Kunthi ittributes Despite the fact that they have little experience they are extremely fit di-prix good peed ind stamina and have powerful hits Since they are accultomed to playing on harder, bouncier surfaces, they displaced their prowess when it came to hitting and stopping their only draw back being that they lacked finish This d ishing side clused two upsets on their way to the top. Although they did. not begin their que tivery impressive ly they won the first fixture of the supament again tithe local Calcutta. Hockets cam thanks to a penalty push



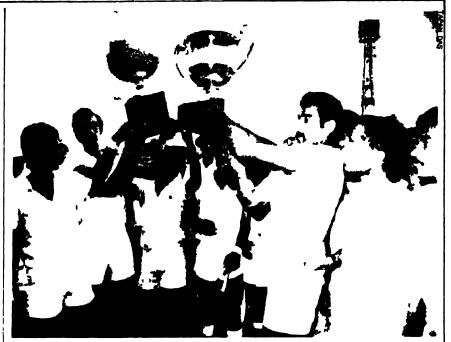
The second leg final between Mohammedan Sporting and IHF XI which ended blank but the latter won on their first leg solitary goal lead through Susil Toping

converted by Augustine Tirkey This player was also instrumental in the second round the breaker win against Eastern Railway Sports Club after both teams were locked one all after extra time The subsequent round saw the Mecon side get a walkover from Northern Railway—the side that was scheduled to have replaced Bombay Custom—to meet Calcutta Leugue runners up Last Bengal

There were plenty of surprises in store for Last Bengal Mecon gave the game everything they had and held their strong rivals goalless till extra time despite the rally made by East Bengal in the second half. The tie breaker gave East Bengal the biggest jolt of the season as they lost 35 Goalkeeper B B Topno was the won der boy on that day for he padded two pushes brilliantly Actually detender Dung Dung's push settled the issue but East Bengal had to go through with the last as a mere formality. Mecon's upset victory was followed by yet another surprising result in the quarter finals when they accounted for defending champions Western Railway 3.1 The encounter produced several thrills although the Adivasi boys enjoyed territorial domin ince most of the time The railway side was handicapped by the absence of their star players Jasminder and Parminder both of whom were at the hockey coaching camp Besides they had only three stalwarts from last year's winning side remain ing They were it the receiving end most of the time as they could not keep pace with the speed and stamina displayed by Mecon Former Olym pian Balbir Singh could scarcely cope with the tremendous pressure while i detender Dung Dung proved almost impossible to get past

Mecon's quest for top honours was eventually cut short by Mohammedan Sporting in the double log semi finals when they lost 0.1 after a barren result in the first leg. The game tended to be drab as Mohammedan S C played a strategically slow game rather than attempt to match the pace set by the speedy Mecon boys The latter who earned the reputation of giant killers ultimately fell to this strategy Both teams got a chance each but Kulbir missed a real sitter for the Calcutta side Birendra Bahadur and Vece Pacs did well to break up the frequent attacks while Ransdale Deane had a good match he did the spadework for Kulbir, who shot wide when taced with an empty goal Mecon's centre forward Nelson Ekka played extremely well

The second leg saw nothing worth while The black and whites banked heavily on their experience but they lacked the requisite punch when it came to the attack, particularly on the left flank This was due to the absence of Balwinder Singh who was away at the Pune camp In fact, the Calcutta team was lucky not to have gone through the tie breaker as Jaswinder managed to sound the Mecon boards from a melee in front of the goal Lack of experience was the only stumbling



The iHF learn with the Beighton Cup

block for the Ranchi team

The HIC team enjoyed a thumping win over local team Entally A. C. through the only hat trick of the tournament scored by Bihar State player Kanda Horo All three goals came in the first session. HI C excelled in every department of the game and could have notched up an even larger margin had their marksmen not tum bled Both HI C and the Calcutta Flec tric Supply qualified for the last 16 stage but the former side met its Waterloo at the hands of local outfit IRAA 2.1 the result of erratic play in the circle. The match winner caused resentment in the HFC camp as they claimed that the goal wored by Hem Bhardway was received from an off side position FRAA met Customs in the next round ind avenged their league defeat 2.1. The glaring point in this tie was what was almost a gift goal by the Customs goalkeeper who kick ed the ball straight to TRAA forward Ravi Kum ii The railway team had to play one short when Bilwinder Singh was sent off as a result of dangerous play He later invited the most dreaded red card for using abusive language behind the goal line Poor Customs failed to avail of their advantage but ERAA were eliminated by the IHI XI in the quarter finals off a penalty stroke conversion

The IHF team as expected took time to settle down and establish in understanding amongst the players Performance wise, they were generally individualistic albeit with a tew exceptions. The main man was Olympian Merwyn Fernandes who can be dangerous in the inside right position and who often created problems for the rival defenders. Mehboob has put on a lot of weight and he must reduce if he is to regain his old agility but it was he who drove home the equaliser in the first leg semis against Mohun

Bagan the latter having taken the lead through a Bhengra sizzler off a short corner. In the tie breaker Mohun Bagan lost 2.4 after the second legended blank.

Though Mohun Bagan were a well knit side and played attacking hockey they failed to capitalise on chances that came their way. The IHF attack was speatheaded by Fernandes a constant source of danger after lemon time but he was hit by Jennings stick and had to be carried off the field. This however did not deter the combined side who carried the day through to meet Mohammedan sporting.

Incidentally this was the third time in the history of the Beighton Cup that Mohammedan 5 C entered the final this time after a lapse of 24 years. In their maiden final appearance against the Bengal Nagpur Railway two years prior to India's Independence they were defeated and this story was repeated in 1956 when they lost to East Bengal

All matches were supervised by local whistlemen while even till last veir there were two outstation umpires. Why was this? Couldn't the BHA afford it or was it to encourage the local umpires? In the initial stages they did not look very efficient be cause they failed to penalise deten ders for intentional infringements in side the 25 yard area as well as in the circle Had they been stricter there would have been more field goals as well as those resulting from penalty corners and strokes. However, in the latter stages with Balkishen and Gyan Singh conducting clinics there seemed to be an improvement and tewer infringements were overlooked One hopes that regular clinics are held

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Sportspeople

Another FIFA badge lost

HARDIY had the capital's sporting fractions recovered from the hock of the death of Shujaat Ashraf, 12 tornice Delhi West Bengal Mohammed in Sporting and Last Bengal I footballer than it suffered another crievous loss recently. The death due



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He worked for athletes

THAT he is no more is very sad indeed. But what he left behind will always be cherished in the mem ory of the athletics fraternity. Laipat Rai Khanna was a great friend of athletes and his biggest contribution to this sport was the publication of the official handbook of the Amateur Athletics Federation of India which threw new light on the athletic achievements of the country

Many may not remember, but he was a walker of national standing in his heyday. After his fine career he devoted his time to the betterment of the sport. His tireless work eventually made him one of the leading figures among the country's top athletics officials. It was in his tenure that he guided India to the reckoning in the international sphere in the Seventies.

His devotion to this discipline be gan with the Delhi Athletic Club of which he was a founder member. He was elevated to the post secretary of the Delhi Amateur Athletic Associa tion and the Delhi Olympic Associa tion In 1972, Khanna became the secretary of the All India Federation and continued till 1976 during which period he did a great deal. Since he was a good walker and a qualified international judge in walking he was an automatic choice for the judges' committee for the Montreal Olympic Games in 1976. It did not end there Two years later he officiated in the Bangkok Asiad Age never seemed to be a barrier Even at 61 he was present in an active capacity during the Inter-State Athletic Championships at the Kantareeva Stadium in Bangalore last February

Mr Khanna was an officer with the World Health Organisation and after his retirement he helped the cause of the most neglected sport. His sympathies for athletes were well known last year when the Iraqı athletes were stranded in New Delhi e was there to help them out. On hearing of Mr Khanna's demise, the former presi dent of the AAHI and present IOA president, Raja Bhalindra Singh was shocked. In his long association with Mr khanna he found him a very hard working official who was conversant with the technical aspects of the disci pline Mr Rhanna would have been of tremendous help during the Asian Games next year May his soul rest in

The Toy Buildog

ONE of the most colouiful sports personages of the Twenties and mid Thirties was an American boxer Edward Patrick Walker better known as Mickey Walker, who died recently at New York at the age of 79

Known in the ring as the foy Bulldog', he held the world welter

weight and middleweight titles and in addition was a leading contender for the light heavyweight and heavyweight titles Success, however, eluded him in the two latter cate gories

Born on July 3, 1901 at Elizabeth, New Jersey the Toy Bulldog entered the ring as a professional at the age of 18 in 1919. A string of unimpressive performances to start with did not deter him and most boxing pundits opined that he had the grit and perseverance to win the world title



Sure enough on November 1, 1922 he challenged Jack Britton for the welter weight title and won but he ultimately lost the title to Pele Latzo on May 20 1926 Walker, who was 1.70 metres in height and weighed between 67 and 77 kg moved up to the next category and challenged detending champion Tiger Flowers, defeating him seven months after his loss to Latzo. He resigned the middleweight crown on June 19 1931 A month later he fought 15 round against Jack Sharkey who won the world heavyweight title the following vears In 1929 he challenged Fommy Loughran but lost. The same fate was also in store for him against Maxie Rosenbloom in 1933

Boxers usually start the hard way, doing odd jobs here and there before they take up the profession of the ring Walker, however, studied architecture for a brief period before turning to a career in boxing. The artistic touch did not leave him altogether. After he announced his retirement in 1935 he returned to the study of art and later attained considerable success as a painter. His autobiography. The Will to Conquer's was published in 1953. As a fitting tribute, he was elected to the Boxing. Hall of Fame in 1955.

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George Brown fires the starter's gun to begin the 85th running of the Boston Marathon from Hopkinton to Boston

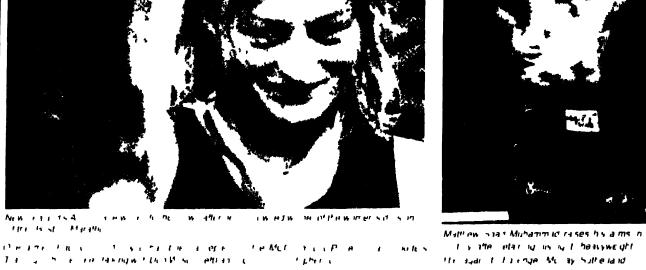
Hong Sung scoring South Korea's equaliser in the opening match of the Asian third group's World Cup elimination match against Malaysia







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News round-up

A sport slowly dying

JAIPUR The Pink City is the home of polo in India and has been a part of the cultural life for many years. But the game- which originated in India-is meeting a slow death and the little that we get to see around the country is because of the mounted regiments of the army. I or the civilians, the sport

is clearly out of reach

Among the many old princely fami lies only Jaipur is maintaining its polo tradition largely due to the support of the Jaipur based 61st Cavalry Only two members of the Jaipur ioval fami ly play polo and they maintain their own horses but the Rajasthan Polo Club-which is dominated by the for mer ruling family -- has done nothing to popularise the game. It is generally felt that the game would die an instant death once the two members of the royal family It Col Bhawani Singh, the former ruler of Jaipur, and his brother Jai Singh, decide to shelve their mallets

The Rajasthan Tourism Develop ment Corporation widely advertises the glory of Jaipur polo and invites tourists to visit the city during the polo season but, surprisingly, the Rajas th in Covernment's Finance Depart ment has imposed entertainment tax on purchase of tickets for polo match es this year. The organisers of the polo tournaments suffered heavy financial losses because of the State's decision The most the organisers could do after the imposition was to make admission free

It was an exciting season but not many players were involved in match es Very few were invited to take part in the various tournaments. Only three teams took part in the Mysore Cup

Sawai Man Singh Gold Vase, Rajputa na Cup and Kotah Cup All the match es were played on round robin basis Major Sodhi sparkled for Snaffles in the Mysore Cup and helped his team to win the trophy Injuries to two players Capt Y K Singh and Lt Ram Singh in the Mysore Cup ruined the interest Lt Col Raj Kalan displayed good horsemanship in the Rajputana Cup and led his team Lions, to win the coveted trophy

In the two leg final of the Sawai Man Singh Gold Vase tournament, Lt Col Kalan of Makaster did all the spadework for his team who were levelled 3 all in the first leg to clinch the issue in the second and win the m ttch by an aggregate of 8 5 Lt Col Kalan scored a fine hat trick

The Kotah Cup became interesting with the arrival of Major Pradeep Mehra This tournament saw Major Pickles Sodhi of Snaftles touch peak form and give an all round display both in defence and in offence to carve

out victory over spurs

The interest in the polo season increased with the announcement of an award by a local daily for the best player of the season Lt Col Kalan and Major Sodhi were the two hot contestants for this coveted award and, deservedly, Maj Sodhi became

the choice of the jury

Interestingly, the polo season which had already ended, was res tarted because of the arrival of the United Arab Emirates team and the Dubai Polo Club The UAE team whose trip was sponsored by Air India and Hotel Maurya Sheraton failed to impress. The visitors are novices and could raise a team of five handicaps only But the visitors who lacked match temperament should be thank ful to their hosts who provided then with good practice. It was heartening to know that polo is becoming popular in the Gulf nations and trainers from Rajasthan are helping the game to take roots in the oil rich States

And why not Patna?

PATNA The tussle between the Bihar Cricket Association at Jamshedpur and the cricket organisers at Patna, it may be recalled started with the three day zonal match in 1978 79 be tween Alvin Kallicharran's West In dies team and East Zone when Patna made an all out effort to stage that match at the State capital's posh Moinul Haq Stadium The BCA had then demanded a tabulous Rs two lakhs to shift the venue to the capit al - which proved to be the dampening tactor- and the match was ultimately staged it the Keenan Stadium as 'sche duled earlier

I ast winter the quarter final Ranji I rophy in itch between hosts Bihar ind star studded Bombay had three claimants Jamshedpur Patna and Dhinbid The Dhanbad affliate vice president Mr Salil Das said that Dhan had was not interested in staging the match at the cost of the parent body's discomfiture. Patna started a lone struggle to win over the parent body s t wour for the Bihar Bombas Ranji tie As usual, that match also was played. it the Keen in

This winter the three day fixture octween F ast Zone and the visiting England team is to take place in Bih ir according to the rotation principle as Kim Hughes Australian team played it the Bar ib iti ir d Asit Iqbal's Pakis ran at Gauhati. So at is Bihar's turn this time. The tentative itinerary released by the Board of Control for ricket in India has already included Jam he dour for that match before Patha could place its claim

But this time it appears that every body here is bent on getting that match for Patna The Patna District Cricket Association has requested the Chief Minister Dr Jagannath Mishra to intervene in this regard. Patha is a more suitable enue is it has straight or links and five star hotel facilities

MIR JEN GUPTA

in the name of coaching camps...

INDORE As summer dawns in Madhya Pradesh there is hectic activ ity in order to set up various summer coaching camps by different sports organisations here Perhaps no other city in the country organises as many summer camps as Indore But why only Indore? The reason is obvious Being the State's largest consumer town, most of the industrialist groups and social clubs come forward to patronise these summer camps But one fails to understand why these benevolent clubs or industrialists of Indore do not organise such camps in places like Dewas, a small township 30 km from here, or have these camps in the tribal interiors of the State



There is an explanation for this Most of the Ministers of MP like to come to this modern town having a temperate climate, in summer, it being only a four and a half hours drive from Bhopal, the State capital

Naturally, the affluent people pat ronising such summer camps get a chance to come close to these Minis ters Lately the 17,000 school and college students of Dewas raised a hue and cry because they were being dep rived of such camps. There are no sports organisation in this labour belt (Dewas) where most of the factory workers live no grounds and, conse quently, no schemes for the develop ment of sportsmen. It ought to be noted that in spite of these handic aps at least two cricketers from Dowas have played for the State in the Ranji Trophy

In this context it is interesting to learn that even Vijis Hazare used to live at Dewas in the 1940s and because of his residential qualifications he played for the mighty Holkar team in the Ranji Trophy during that period Ironically, there are no sports facilities in a place where most of the poor workers live and where their children want to play. It is alleged that there are many bogus organisations like the Indore District Judo and Karate Asso ciation conducting such camps and running regular schools for teaching martial arts. The gentlem in conduct ing this camp and said to be running a regular school calls himself a Black Belt and has even acquired a room for this purpose in the Nehru Stadium owned by the Municipal Corporation Mr Ramesh Sevena the Collector of Indore was the chief guest at one of his so called official functions recent ly The point is that such frauds are being given wide publicity by the leading dailies of Indore

Will the State Government make a

detailed enquiry whether this gentle man has a certificate of a Black Belt from the official Indian body or abroad or a licence to run such a school? The crux of the matter is that such summer camps are conducted only with a view to gain wide publicity

instead of doing good for sport in the entire State. There is also a mad rush by the affluent section of the people to conduct camps in table tennis, which gets the widest publicity in the State.

SUJEET MOMANTY



Central Railway win

NAGPUR I ast year symmers up Dissional Sports Association Central Rillwis Jabalpur lifted the glittering Rosers Cup here recently. This prestiquous all India football tournament is annually organised by the Vidharba I ootball Association. Holders M.P.T. Goaldid not turn up because the Portmen were busy playing in the Bindodkar Gold Trophy there. In the play off for the top spot Central Rail way outplayed Rajhara Mines. Durg by a solitary goal scored in the 42nd minute after lemon time through out

side left Suresh Kumar Incidentally in the earlier final both the teams were locked in a 1-1 draw. Prem Kumar scored for Rajhara, while Asiq Ali drove home the equaliser.

The lone c istern challenger Tata Collicries from Dhanbad went down to Rajhara Mines 2.3 in the double leg semi finals. The Tata coalmen had only themselves to blame because they had more scoring opportunities than their rivals. Champions Central Rail way ended the hopes of the local challengers. Kamptee Collieries with a 6.2 aggregate in the other semis.

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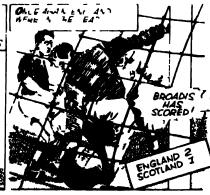


In an irregular and discriminating manner, the police allowed the Big Three to erect qualposts on their respective enclosed grounds while lesser clubs in the Senior Division were ordered not to put up posts This was the main reason for the cancellation of one of the oldest soccer tournaments, the Power League This picture, taken by Jayanta Sett, shows Sporting Union and Kidderpore practising on the Bhowanipore ground with two sticks to indicate the goalposts A pathetic show indeed.

LAWRIE REILLY







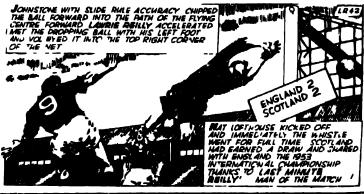






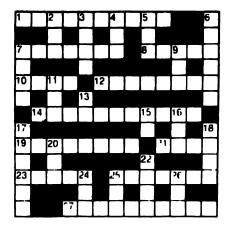






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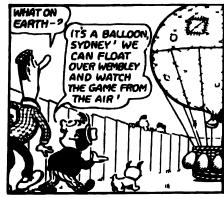
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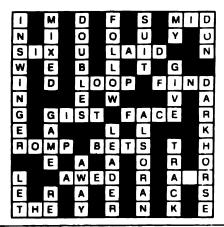






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Abhijit Banerjee, Calcutta

Q Name the batsmen who have partnered Sunil Gavaskar in opening the innings for India

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Padma Charan Nayak Balichandrapur

Q How many captains have led India in Test cricket?

A Twenty captains have led India in 189 Tests

Debasish Roy Dibrugarh Shivaji Bhattacharya

Who was Karsan Ghavri s first victim in Tests? How did he dismiss him?

A E T Wildt of West Indies was Ghavil's F A & Wood, D L Amilia, K. W R Platcher. first Test victim, whom he bowled for 13, in the Calcutta Test in 1974 75

Appu Dewaniee Uma Das Bhilai

Q Who was the first batsman to get a pair in Tests? Did he get a chance to play any further Tests thereafter?

A G F Grace of England obtained the first ever pair in the only Test match against Australia at The Oval in 1880 He had no more opportunity thereafter

Rakesh Srivastava Jamshedour

Q Who were the members of the MCC team while touring West Indies in 1968 69 A G S Sobe s (Capt) L R Gibbs (vire captain) J L Hendricks B F Butcher S Camacho J Carew C Davis R Edwards R G Fredericks C C Griffith W W Hall DAL Holford R B Kanhai C H Lloyd 5

Rana Roy Bangalore

 Who were the 12 members of the England team which played the Test in Calcutta in 1972 732

M H Denness, A R Lewis (Capt.), A W Greig A P E Knott C M Otd P L Pocock D L Underwood R M H Cottam Mahesh Bhuj

Q Name the Country which has scored less than 100 runs in an innings of a Test against India Except Australia

A No one other than Australia Naresh Khanna Delhi

Q Have both the wicket keepers Kunderan and Farokh Engineer played together in a Test for India If yes when and where?

A Yes, in the second and third Tests vs. England in England in 1967 Both of them opened India's innings together at Birming ham and kunderan opened India's bowling too in the said Test

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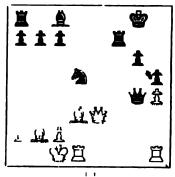
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etters to the Editor

Fernandes wrong

WE totally disagree with Mr George Fernandes's views which he thinks authentic in opposing the 1982 Asian Games in India A Government which spend staggering amounts on the luxuries of the politicians can afford to spend a huge sum on sport as well especially on in international commitment worth pational prestige

We do not understand the terms tight security—special cell etc that often come out of the organising committee Lipborn assurances from officrils are well known to the public these days. That is why one fears that if the Himalayan Rally could be disrupted all dong the route in a planned minner-is witnessed last year putting the organisation of the Games in disorder would not be difficult for Mr Ter nandes and his men

It is time the Covernment take a decision on this matter

once for all

MRS KLINA MKS MAY 1 PRATIMA SUNDAK

Bing ilore

Congratulations

MONCRAIULAHONS to the Chinese men and women table tennis players who have won all the titles in the World Championships at Novi Sad

India and China are the two most heavily populated countrie in the world But what contrast in the performances of these two nations. While China has made a clean sweep. India miniged only a consolation prize Hoy long do we have to it sty ourselve, with lime ex-

> JAYANIA NANDI KOY Cruhin

Partisan report

Pirasi allow me the hospi tality of your column clear the misunder tanding which might be created by the publication of the highly partisin despitch on the Singiv Cindhi Memoriil Gold Cup Footbill Tourniment pub lished in your April 22 issue. It has been stated in the saidreport. The brand of soccer dished out in the entire tourna ment was appalling the competition flopped and the Gold Cup now seems to be in the ted most of the visitors were trounced by local teams in the first round some of them going

down by at least seven goals This had an idverse effect on Lite receipts throughout the tournament. In order to gener ite interest hate were thrown open to the public and yet no one wanted to waste his pre-VIOUS TIME IN WITHERSING SCHOOL les football

Such sweeping statement is above can be vitten only by someone who is ignorant of fact or who has a bias against the tournament organisers. To say that Mohammedan Sport ing were among the pygmics is a trave ty of the truth as the Cilcutti grant were in the company of former Federation Cup winners Border Security Force (Jullandur) Western Railway (Bombay) C. R. P. E. (Neemuch) beside uch wellknown Calcutta teams as Arvan BNR Tollygunge Agragami Railway I C and Port Trust Can you call them pyg mit 52

And when so many leading ! tootball team of the country took part in a tourn iment, how could it be a flop. The charge that ome of the team lost by seven gold and thereton the show was a tarce doc not hold. water Regarding the poor turn out the photograph published ilons with the report ful ity the comment is one could see the studium was packed to capaci it lurther if the ucctournaments telepulied only by a full house condition then by that find and the beachton Cup Hocke Tournar ent has been a total flog and varte of mone for cmin a even at a ports centre like Calcutta 1 The staging of the tournament wi in effect t reinfreduce big time occes in Bih ir which unfortunated a meeting unen lightened ritiesm and prejudice thi we indeed pioneering effort and like all pioneer the organi ers of this tournament after the hotality of the envious and the leth ir gr. I istly the organices were ill knowledge ible person, who ire associated with all India ind State bodie

VINAY KUMAK SINIIA

An apology

Wilh reference to m coverage of the Links Nationals in our March Lie un it seems that among plothere. misconstrued my critician et i certain acts of the alimited to the effect that the organical had done a bad job de pite the fact that I had clearly stitled that in general the Sationals were efficiently runI once again confirm that except for the point on which I criticised them, the organisers had indeed done a praisewor thy job I also admit that a factual error had crept into my report—the National Laws Commission did meet in connection with the appeal by Baf na's team I deeply regret the error and apologise to the readers and to any individual or body who may have hurt by my unintentional error

^ \NTANU GHOSŁ, Calcutta

include Madaniai

NOW is the time to rebuild the Indian cricket team for the coming home series against England by inducting a couple of talented new taces and re calling the determined Delhi all rounder Madanlal who has consistently been showing out standing performances in domestic cricket particularly for the past three years Madan might have been an asset to the Indian cricket team, especially in the over limit competitions had he been included in the Indian squad for the recently concluded twin tour to Austra lia and New Zealand Besides being a lion hearted bowler (his rich haul in domestic cricket at least proves it) and an agile fielder, readers must admit that he has been improving tremendously in the batting de partment as well since 1978 So. it would be a real pity to see I him on the sidelines against the Pommies, a series which is like ly to be a keenly contested affair

BIJAN BANERJEE, Calcutta

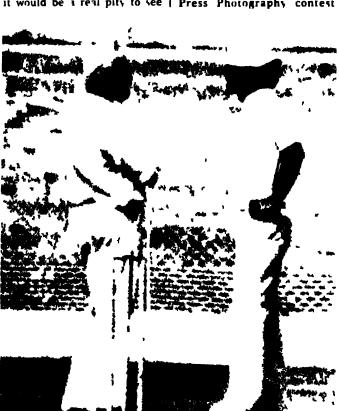
Unfair

MOST of the criticisms made recently about our "little master" Vishwanath were unfair and unreasonable Many critics have suggested that Vish should be dropped from the Indian XI for his fai lure in the recently concluded twin tour Failure is a common feature in human life But for the classic century he made at MCG India's prestige would have deteriorated further. He is a reliable man in a crisis and an inspiration for every player on the field and lovers of the game Whenever he scored a century for India it always helped India to earn a victory Once he regains his batting rhythm he will definitely enter tain the spectators with his daz zling batting display We all hope the little master plays for India for many more years to come

> MALLI Gudur

Well-done, Nikhii

PLFASE convey our hearty congratulations to your staff photographer, Mr Nikhil Bhattacharya for having been awarded a certificate of merit by the organisers of the World Press Photography contest





This added to the SIAB award for 1980 was another feather in the cap of Nikhil With the awards that he has won Mi Bhattacharva can be justifiably be proud and satisfied

VIJAY CHORGHADI

Thought- provoking

THE point raised by Mr Su jeet Mohanty in his article Doing duty for the nation in your April 8 issue was thought provoking. The coordination between educational pursuits and sports events are absolutely necessary. In this context the following points need consideration by the competent bodies.

(1) A linc has to be drawn somewhere about the recognised, international events like Olympics Asian Games World Championships Test matches etc This is necessary to avoid misuse of facilities because there are many international events arranged by different agencies like goodwill tours abroad and tourists visiting India

(2) Universities can consider the matter on the lines of conducting special examinations for players who participate in such events Universities will have to follow the full

proces of examination that i etting of papers moderation conduction of examination viluation of papers and dec laration of results etc. The play ers too will have to appear in the examination with full preparation of an examinee Thisa not an impossible proposition because such situations will not rise very often in a session li this respect the academic cour cils and executive councils of the universities and the Academic Cell of the Associa tion of Indian Universities will have to take a decision. The University Grant Commission the Government and the Public Service Commission would automatically be led to think on this matter and give due recon nition

(3) At present universities are giving facilities like scholarships adjustments in regular examination programmes etc. which appear insufficient in the present circumstances of competitive sports connected with national prestige. Therefore, universities will have to think collectively to formulate a policy to help the academic areas of students, of course without sidetracking the academic objectives.

S B QURESHI

My most memorable moments

GURBUX SINGH

Former Olympic captain Gurbus Singh was born at Peshawar West Pakistan on February 11 1936 He took to hockey after Partition at the age of 16. He was a member of the Indian team to New Zeal and and Australia in 1959. He donned India colours in the 1962 International Hockey tourney at Ahmedahad ind played for India the following ve it in the Lyons Internation il Lestiv il He was a member of the victorious Indian team it the Tokyo Olympics in 1964 and again at the Bangkok Asiad in 1966 He led the Indian te ims in the Hamburg Festiv il and Sri Lanka in 1967. He was selected India's full back for the Mexico

Ioday he has a flourishing business in car spare parts and still plays for a local club to keep him self fit. He has been chosen as in IHF selector. Farlier he had been the official Indian coach for the Montreal Olympics team. He was also France's official coach (74.75) to train the national quad.

'Y tather Major Kartar Singh Mwas a regular hockey player and represented the Indian Hospit al Corps at Rawalpindi Thi wis the main reason why I started taking an interest in hockey from an early age. After Partition we came to India and my father was posted at Lucknow From 1949 to 1952. I played for my college there and also had a taste of my first ever tournament match. Later on Trep. resented Habul Mukherjee's popular Bengali Youngmen's Association (BYA) from 1948 to 64 Mukherjee was India's national coach Strange though it may seem I took a keen interest in badminton and treated it as my first game. But I had to give it up because of a broken leg sustained during a bad minton match. Honestly, it is only then that I took to hockey criously At that time I usually played as an inside left though sometimes I switched to the inside right position And all this was when I was at Lucknow

Later, my father was transfered to Mhow near Indore This, in fact, did me a world of good as I had the privilege of playing a lot of hockey This paid rich dividends I represented Holkar College and Agra University But then I had to lose my original forward position My becoming a full back was just accidental because when the player in that position was indisposed I

was forced to take his place. But once there, I continued till 1968 when I announced my retirement prior to the Indian team's visit to Pakistan.



However coming back to 1955 while I was in college, I represented Madhya Bharat tor the first time in the Nationals at Madras M. Lither retired and we moved to Meerut In 55 36 I played for DS 1 and Teachers Club there Meerut helped me to improve my hockey tremendously because then there were two top teams of the coun trv-Sikh Regimental Centre and Punjab Regimental Centre-which had tamed players like the late Dhyan Chand Haripal Haidayal Harbaksh and Gurdey In fact the two year period at Meerut was the turning point of my cafeer, where I played continuously with the two army units

I came into the limelight by representing DSA in the Obaidul lah Gold Cup Dhyan Chand Hock ey meet and the Scindia Gold Cup After graduation in 1956 I came over to Calcutta to learn the motor spaces trade but I did not forget hockey In 1957 I joined I ast Bengal Club and it was a year to remember because that a ison the club annexed its first ever hockey trophies—first the Lakshmibilas Cup and then the Beighton Cup and mind you we were unbeaten runners up in the league as we drew

ith Mohun Bagan I went over to calcutta Customs in 1958 and staved on till '65, the year I cap tained the team and gave Customs and Leslie Claudius their first Beighton Cup title In fact in four years, I captained three different clubs and on all the four occasions I gave the team the Beighton Cup

Of the c 1969 with the most memorable because that year Mohun Burin made hitory when it won the league withou lo an a single point or conceding this koals and the presention. Beighton Cup

Since I came to Cilcutta in 1957, I had represented the State sixteen times in the National 1972) which is abytou I in record because no other player donned Beng il colours for so man cars. It was in 1959 that I came into the reckoning on the national scene when I was a stand bofor the Furopean and East African tours. The first time I played for my country was in 1961.

Of course my most memorable moment was when India regained the Olympic gold medal in the 1964 Tokyo Olympic Games beating our traditional rivals. Pakistan. In fact. it was India's first win against the Pakist in to im after the 1956 Mel bourne Olympics. I can still remem ber that after Mohinderlal gave us the lead with only a few minutes left I was very restless. Therewas a big stopwarch belfind our goalpost and for those few minutes. I fre quently looked back and it seemed as though it was never going to end Suddenly the long whistle wis blown Our clation knew no bounds What I telt then is indescribable. It so happened that after the victory Ashwini Kumar Plying Sikh' Mil kha Singh and Dr Karni Singh jumped into the arena to congratu late us Unfortunately Dr Karni Singh jumped from at least ten feet and sprained his ankle

Another occasion to really cherish in one's memory was the Asian Games hockey gold at Bangkok in 1966—the only one thus faragainst Pakistan. The same year I was highly elated when I received the highest order in the land, the Arjuna Award Incidentally, I was captain after 1964 for all the tours and matches against visiting teams. After 1964 I was appointed to lead India on the Pakistan tour, but then I had announced my retirement Probabl. I am the only captain to retire before a team went.

However the saddest moment in my life was, of course when we lost in the semi-finals against under dogs Australia and finished third at the Mexico Games in 1968. Another sad moment was at Montreal in the 1976 Olympics. I was the coach then and the sorry debacle came as a rude shock to me.

AS IOID IL SUBHASH SARCAH

TOWEL STORY

Bombay For some time now the Indian Oil Corporation has been campaigning to wean people away from gasoline with the sloqan. Save that drop of oil or walk to your destination 20 years from now. Close on the heels of sponsoring a cycle race, the company recently organized a walkathon in which 271 competitors participated. All the winners received an award—a towel to wipe that sweat off the brow!

O DOCTOR WE'RE IN TROUBLE !

LEEDS Desperate for sponsors the United Hospitals Rughy XI to tour Canada inserted the following appeal in their weekly The General Practitioner—If you can help in cash or kin to please contact Dr. Michael Brudenell consultant gynaecologist to our team.

BEE WARE!

Bargalore It's not just the press that attacks players. A swarm of hees did that at the Karnataka State Cricket Association Stadium in the quarter finals of the Hindu Trophy Tournament between Ideal Jawa and Mico. Thousands of bees from the wist stand roof hives swarmed on field and a in their wont, the players retired hurt.

FIGUPE ATIVELY SPEAKING

Bombay Male joggers at Juhu Beach have begun running fasier chins up stomachs in and eyes peeled for film staper een Babi who s now on a health binge and goes jogging, in the evenings. The turn out of eve watching joggers unbelievable! Meanwhile the morning ones are seriding distress signals to star damsel Kim whose shapely legs are sorely missed on their circuit.

B TELLIS



"LOOKS LIKE BOSWELL POACHED ONCE TOO OFTEN "



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WHAT'S ALL THIS GARBAGE ABOUT
ME BEIN' A HOTHEAD '??! "

Sportsworld Serial

Milburn's magic

The second part of the serial on the FA Cup, which celebrates its centenary this year

Once you have been to an FA Cup final you will never forget it. Even it you never go to one again at Wembley the Holy of Holies even it you never feel the inclination to watch a Cup final on IV you will always be haunted by the memories of what you siw on the hallowed turf. Because a Cup final is well somthing else iltogether.

Most Britons are treated to their first FA Cup final at an early age an impressionable age when heroes are always there to be found when there is magic in every single move when there are more noble deeds that ever find their way into the paper. These are the deeds that are filed away in the memory banks to be recalled whenever there is a discussion on the relative merits of such and such a side or such and such a player. That is the time you will rall about what you award how the more played the game.

That is what an F 1 Cup final is all about

Oh ves there must be plenty of Wolves tans around who will still turn glassy eyed even at the slightest mention of their team's last victory at Wembley in 1960. However while the Molineux team ran circles round the Blackburn Rovers in glorious tootball weather—sunny, for once in this country—the actual game dulled the

Take the case of Geoffrey Green doven of sportswriters. He was lucker with his first final, in 1928 when Blickburn won confidently igainst proud Huddersfield. Town Green high up on the banking behind the west goal noted indelibly a little old min wedged in front of us who lifted both his arms to the sky and rang a bell that was almost as big as himself in that inful silence it sounded like a crack of doom and as he rang each

time he shouted I ich tim at richt bell Blackburn el scott Anche a right because e ich time he die I lackburn responded

The same ploy is used to added effect these day too albeit subset the results. But the fact that pame manship is now playing a not in the quential part in secces cannot be refuted. It is re-orted to by player of course, but what is more arprivate at that spectators also trained fact in an the act. And every time Green account happen, he is reminded of the little men with the bell.

Or take the case of John May ahan who got into the 1952 final than a take generosity of bristly Road Arn Service Corps staff care into called Brush That was the year Joe Hand Magpies (Newcastle United) took or Arsenal Moynahan him elf were Chelsea fan and a devoted one at the but the news of Arsenal avictory over the blues in the semi-fand provided him with a new team to wor hip

He was with the arm, then posted in the Ruhr and about as far from a Cup final as invone could be or in a agine. While sitting through the fall of batch of mail he sitt open uncerted periodicessed to him and wonder of vonders—an I. A. Cup final fack to ell in othis lap for hour. Movinham at another to do with at That eventure or took! Brush who was in spend noof to be mess, where he bought him a pint of the

Busby Babes the great Manchester United team that was wiped out in the Munich air disaster of 1958





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alled and Bruth strode off to the adjutant to explain that Movinhan was a distant relative of Sir Stanley Rous and therefore part had to be allowed to take the ricket

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The Arsena learn of the 1927 cup Fina. I im which Charle Buchan and manager Herbert Chapman, fashioned the great side of the 1930's

Doug was unlucky, Ronnie lucky The latter ultimately ended up famous with an incredible career in soccer which culminated in his winning a Luropean Cup medal in 1967 with Jock Stein's Cellic After the final Mercei the Arsenal skipper innounced magnanimously that no side he had ever captained in his entire career hid ever made him feel so proud in defeat

Although Milburn field to score and despite the fact that Newcastle did not really strike form the Tyne side enthusiasm that applicated their win was worth the ticket alone. Their love for their players was unbelievable in its intenants. Somehow football had always belonged to the northeast to the safts hippard where Newcastle and Sunderland two decades later were hailed as kines in the working men's club.

All right, so Milburn had not thrilled the crowd that we ir but what form he had hown the previous cason. He had moved like a long legged greyhound kobblink up the turt in a blur of peed He had cored the fir t goal is unstillier pool in the previoufinal and even the presence of the Ere a Stanley Mathe — could make no difference to the outcome. Milburn first goal was a beauty as he cluded the off ide trap be vurtic of his sheer speed volleying the bill part Ceotic Lirm strught a a die into the net leaving the defence as tunned a the spectator. It took a few moments for the tank to react, but when they didthere was nothing that could be heard



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thous and that thronged the stadium. It was a roar that could be heard from miles away so swore the locals and it was taken up by friend and for alike o stujendou, had been the me c

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An award winning photograph of Gordon West, the Blackpool youlkeeper making a special unar save against Arsenal in 1961.

Sportspeople

Is Usha really fit?

INDIA's sprint queen, P T Usha, is back on the track after being dis charged by All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, where she spent a fortnight under going a thorough check up Everything is fine with her, the news agencies would have us believe Thank God But

is it really?

I or the next three months 17 year old Usha has been advised to continue swallowing 400 mg of a drug called Norpace under her tamily physician's supervision The drug is an anti arrhythmic agent because a team of heart specialists at the AIIMS led by Dr M I Bhatia have found that she is currently with arrhythmia at rest or routine daily activities, although stress testing (sprints) did not reveal any stress-induced arrhythmia In a layman's language that could mean that Usha has a tendency of missing heartbeats

The specialists of the prestigious institute to which she was sent at the expense of the Kerala Government have advised turther detailed electrophysiological studies because of her special status as a national sports person' These should preterably be carried out at a centre abroad accord

ing to the AIIMS doctors

Everything could be tine with her and probably is but the doctors are not taking any chances. As for Usha as soon as she came to her room in the Kerala House New Delhi, she was busy finding out it there was any ground nearby where she could im mediately begin practice. In fact, her uncle T V Narayanan one of the two relations who accompanied her on her trip to the capital had been sent home by her two days before she was due to leave hospital to 'Arrange to send my kit-spikes and starting blocks etc ,to Patiala Usha who missed the first training camp for probables for the Tokvo Asian track meet in early June. keenly looked torward to joining the second camp at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports, Patiala, on May 11 Usha has missed not only the first training camp, but also her exams

Usha's troubles began with an epi sode of chocking sensation and breath lessnes at the National and Inter State meet at Bangalore last February where she was made to run in the 4×400 metres relay The 400 metres is not her cup of tea and one would tend to think she ran the relay against her inclination But that is a different matter Thereafter, she has been un able to train regularly She trains under coach O M Nambiar at Mercy College Palghat where she was a second year pre degree science stu dent Later, she noticed a swelling in her feet and had occasional pain in her



stomach But tortunately those trou bles are over

Somewhere down the line her health problems came to the notice of the Kerala Government and im mediately, Rs 5 000 were sanctioned from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for a second opinion from the doctors at the AIIMS Also uncle Naravanan and brother in law Sashi Indran who accompanied her to New Delhi were to be given free accommodation at Kerala House On arrival at the New Delhi railway station the three were met by the Special Commissioner for Kerala Mr Shankara Narayanan who lost no time in arranging a room in the private ward of the AIIMS at Rs 100 a day All this is mentioned only to give credit where it is due. There are after all, people in our country who care for sports persons Kerala's rise in athle tics is not a little because of the attention its Government bestows on athletes

There would be no problems even if the cost exceeded Rs 5,000, the Spe cial Commissioner said The Kerala Government is aware that it is doing its duty to a girl who may win the country a medal in next year's Asian Games in New Delhi At the AIIMS also, they were conscious of Usha's "special status" and no one would venture an opinion till all the tests were carried out, including the one under stress This was done at the secluded Air Force station ground with the help of men like FL It Govindan Secretary of the Air Force Sports Control Board and veteran football coach C. John who played for Rajasthan F. C. Calcutta in the 1952 IFA shield final. Usha also had other visitors including Mr Sivia, Secretary of the Amateur Athletic Federation of India But fortunately she wasn't disturbed too much. Usha is a mational figure in her own right but she is a normal girl who should be left at peace. The AIIMS Medical Superin tendent advised

And he is very right Usha may be a national champion and an Asian Games medal hope, but she is a child after all She liked to talk athletics as well as cooking She missed her daily training as much as she missed rice and fish curry cooked in Kerala style "Fish, lots of it, is what she keeps wanting", teased uncle Narayanan

Usha may be a child, but when she talks of athletics she reveals a mature perception For instance, this "Here we are supposed to train from camp to camp only when some big internation al meet is about to be held. But from what I was able to observe of other athletes during my visit to the Moscow Olympics I thought training and coaching and competing was a continuous process." The youngest sprin ter to take part in the Moscow Olympics, Usha was sixth in her 100 metres in 12 27 secn and seventh in her 200 metres heat in 25 16 But Usha is an improved sprinter now

Her burning ambition is to be the number one female sprinter in Asia by the time the Asian Games are held. To realise it she will have to work very hard improve a lot and most improtant enjoy perfect health.

No more a bachelor

TAY 6 1981 was a particularly auspicious muhurat' in this summer's marriage season and there were in Delhi that night thousands of barats gails wending their way to the respective brides places the bridegrooms in most cases mounted on caparisoned mares. However there was one particularly eligible young m in who preferred to make the jour ney to his bride in a flower bedecked convertible. But in spite of this faster more modern mode of transport he was still about an hour and a half late-which in Punjabi Hindu wed dings is the expected and accepted thing Considering the bridegroom was as popular a person as Kapil Dev Nikhanj it was not much of a delay There can so many causes of hold ups when a Test star gets married

From Lodhi Hotel to 70 Golf Links is basely one kilometer. But it took the wedding party well nigh two hours to cover the distance. The 'bhangra' dancing youngsters were a particular ly vivacious bunch and were determined to take their own time on a night cooled at the right time by a thunder storm. It was nearing midnight when the guests were able to disperse after the ceremonies and the well attended dinner.

India's most popular cricketer was getting married and it was only natural that a good number of guests were from cricket circles. Among them were kapil's tour mittes based in Delhi. Che tan Chauh in was there with his wife and so were Yashpal. Kirti. Azad and Surinder Khanna. Also present was former. India. Captain. Bishan. Singh. Bedi.

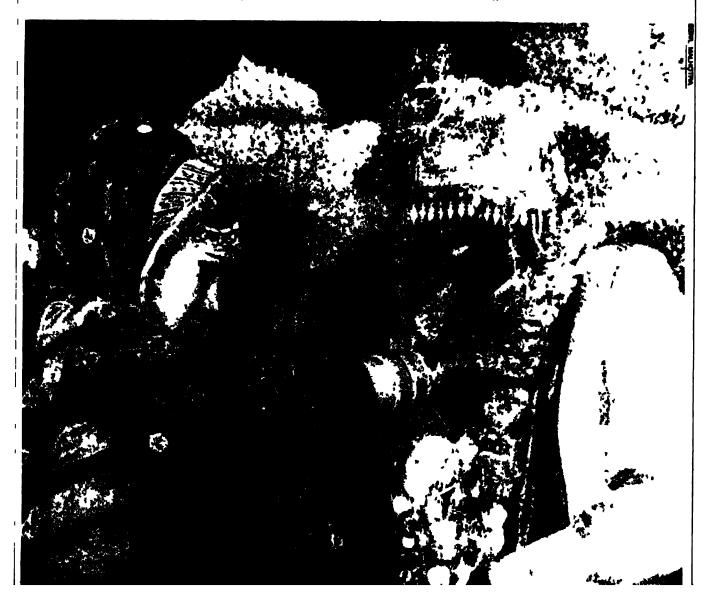
The Cricket Board was represented by its vice president. Mr. K. Mehra and joint secretary, Chaudhry Ranbir. Singh who is also secretary of the England. he said

Harvana Cricket Association the team Kapil leads in the Ranji Trophy Cham pionship Among the first to greet and bless the Test star was former Bourd President Mr R P Mehra, one of the men instrumental in discovering India's tirst fast bowler in a long time

Earlier the wedding party had come down from Chandig ith a five hour drive from Delhi in several cars and a luxury coach. Among them were kapil's coach. D. P. Azad, and a half a dozen. Harvana cricketers, including Yograj. Singh, and Ashok, Milhotri, who his been knocking at the selectors' doors of late. The party had come to Delhi, almost immediately, itter celebrating, the marriage of Kapil's sister. Pinky

A special gesture came from the India Fourism Development Corporation (ITDC) who offered Kapil and his bride Roma Bhatia a bridal suite in the five star Hotel Ashok

Kapil planned to leave with his bride for England in a tew division a cricketing honeymoon there. While playing there this summer. I'll show my wite the various cricket centres of England. he said.



FIFTH FEDERATION CUP

Mohun Bagan win in style

SARAJIT DEB reports from Madras

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The fifth federation Cup proved that even shough Bengal lost their crown in the last Nationals they are still the top State as far as football as concerned Lour of their clubs participated in the championship two of whom entered the final three the semis and all four the quarters. Teams

from all over the country challenged their supremies but failed. Except in 1979, when not a single Calcutta team participated at Gouhari their has always been a Bengil outfit in the finals.

The month long championship held at the Nehru Stadium with tem porary wooden galleries drew more

crowds than the organisers expected. It was a sell out when Mohammedan Sporting clashed with I ast Bengal in the last match of the quarter final league, the day of the second legisem finals and in the final.

The tournament passed through some very anxious moments especial



The undir Mohi. Bagan term with the hederation Cup

ly when unseasonal rain caused the first leg of the Mohammedan Sporting BSF semi final to be abandoned. The ground does not have any outlet facility, which means that the greatest problem is water logging. Questions were also raised about the security of the galleries, after the torrential shower, because the wooden galleries were reinforced with ropes and one was not sure whether they would be able to withstand the pressure. After a police inspection, the following day, this arrangement was okayed and the matches continued.

The convenor of the tournament, N Vittal was a worried man that day He wanted the finals to be held on May 10 but was not sure whether nature would allow him to do so as this kind of unseasonal rain usually continues for three or four days. There was also the question of whether the teams would agree to play according to the new schedule whereby Mohammedan Sporting and BSF were to play their semi final matches on consecutive days and the Mohun Bagan East Ben Hil second leg defferred by a day, with the kickoff scheduled for 2 45 pm as the other semifinal was also to be played on the same day itself. As Vittal said They (the arrangements) tre not as had as they are made out to be Im really grateful that they (the teams) never created any problems and agreed to play according to our programme '

The crowd which witnessed top class tootball (at least by Indian stan dards) after a decade were a peculiar lot. One never knew whom they were rooting for. One moment they were supporting one team and the next they were cheering the other side. They acknowledged whoever played well and booed the players who indulged in rough tactics. However, Mohammedan sporting had the most support as the local Muslims turned out in numbers and also because they had impressed in their very first outing.

The report of the tournament would be left incomplete if one player is not mentioned though he did not play in any of the matches-Mohun Bagan's Pradip Choudhury He's the captain of the side this year, but he left Samar Bhattacharya play in his place because he's a young boy and has a chance to play in the Asian Games. He must develop the big match temperament and I, as a senior player, should help him" Very praiseworthy gesture indeed especially in these days where the competition is so tierce It we have more players like captain' Pradip some promising voungsters can come up.

At last Mohun Bagan achieved it The inaugural year in 1977 they were unlucky to lose against the Indian Telephone Industries by a solitary goal They were joint winners in 1978 and 1980 and did not participate in 1979 By winning the fifth Federation Cup, the maroon and green outfit be came the first Calcutta team to win the trophy outright. The people who were



Ulaqanathan does a cartwheel after scoring the first goal for his side in the final Romen Bhattacharya is the defender

tortunate enough to witness the final would undoubtedly say that they were the better side in the final. The 20 margin victory, however, is not at all a fair index of the match and one would not have been surprised if the margin had been larger.

The man who changed the whole complexion of the game was Ulaga nathan He shattered my detence com pletely" commented Mohammedan Sporting coach Abdus Sattai That rightly sums up the final in one sent ence He created havoc in the Moham medan Sporting defence and was constantly feeding two strikers with time ly centres In fact, he did the spadework for the first goal Xavier Pius gave a long through on the lett wing from the centre of the field Ulaga went for the ball but wing back Chinmoy Chatterjee got to it first Seeing Ulaga close on his heels Chin moy panicked and gave a dangerous backpass to the onrushing custodian Bhaskar Ganguly Ulaga deftly got to it before Bhaskar could collect the ball and lobbed over the diving goalkeep er Even a darting Romen Bhat tacharya could not stop the ball from entering the goal That was in the 34th minute of the first half The goal brought back a similar memory in

1979, when Chinmoy (then representing East Bengal) had backpassed to the same Bhaskar and Manash Bhattacharya (then playing for Mohun Bagan) scored to restore parity in that crucial Calcutta League encounter

Whatever resistance was being put up by the Mohammedan Sporting play ers seemed to have vanished into thin air after this goal Except for some stray raids the attack lost its sting And Mohun Bagan as usual put up a resolute wall which foiled most of the Mohammedan Sporting forays The Bagan custodian Shivaji Banerjee on two occasions came to his team's rescue, when he saved a Shabbir Ali header and then a pile driver by the same striker, both in the dying minutes of each half

However, prior to Shabbir's pile driver, Mohun Bagan had scored their second goal, with barely three minutes to go for the final whistle Gautam Sarkar pushed the ball to Surajit Sen gupta, who gave it to Shyam Thapa (who had replaced an injured Xavier) who proved that some of his opportunism was still left in him He got the ball and with a neat volley placed it to the right of Bhaskar, who had nothing to



Mohun Bacan missed a lot of chance including some absolute sit ters. The culprits were all the for wird. The eXivier Mihir Bose and Surepr They were constantly ted by their linkmen Gautam and veteran Md Hibib In modern football it is accepted that it is the linkmen who make or break a game. The Mohun Bucin linkmen completely overshadowed their counterparts. Prasun and Prisint i Bancijec. He tell back to help the detence and moved up with the forwards. All the forwards exhibut dather best of the tournament for this important day Navier combined vell with Ulaga and Mihir, constantly har is ed the Mohammedan Sporting detence which helped the other for ward to get some loose balls. Surajit played in patche but whenever he got the bill he spelt danger

But the buckbone of the Mohun Bagin term var their defenders and once usain they passed out with flying colour. The two toppers Subroto and Simili Bhittacharva have teamed up very well. They made up each others lapse and it was a good sight to see the senior Subroto guiding the junior Samar Subroto had started a bit shaki ly but gradually gained control of the game Shy imal Banerice the left back covered a lot of space and did not give the speedy Manash too much leeway The other wangback Compton Dutta also played well always ready to tackle the opponents. It was team spirit and the fighting quality that helped Mohun Bagan win the trophy On the other hand Mohammedan Sporting looked a dejected side They started well, on equal footing with the champions but gradually seemed to fade out as the match progressed But



Pius scoring his first goal against East Bangi

then that was also the case with their performance in the Federation Cup In the semi finals they never played the standard they had exhibited in the quarter final league and it was even worse in the final The defence crack ed under pressure and the forwards could hardly do anything In fact, it was difficult to believe that it was the same team that had played so well in the initial matches. And perhaps the reason was the failure of their link men They were not playing to their torms in the initial stages and at that time the strikers tell back to help them They had gradually picked up but again their performance slided downhill The forwards could not take the extra load they had done in the earlier rounds and the team failed The defence also look vulnerable, ex cept for Moidul Islam who played a sensible game But he was not enough to salvage the entire lot

MOHUN BAGAN YS EAST BENGAL

Neither leg produced the kind of soccer one expects when the two soccer grants of India meet But that has become the salient feature of the bat tle royal between Mohun Bagan and East Bengal these days Except for Samar Bhattacharya, the Mohun Bagan stopper, not one player shone Some played well in patches, but even such displays were few and far between. Mohun Bagan won only because that player is a state of the player in the salient was the player in the salient was a such displays were few and far between.

game Another way of putting it would be that the star studded East Bengal side, who have picked up talent from all over the country as well as abroad (Iran), never combined as a team in

the first leg

Mohun Bagan definitely were the better side on the day. The inclusion of Md Habib as a linkman seemed to work well for them After the Nagjee Habib had gone back to Hyderabad because of domestic problems but was asked to reinforce his side and solve the problems in the midfield. He proved that he is far from finished Though he did not show the kind of football he has displayed in the past, his 15 years of experience proved invaluable for East Bengal

The first goal of the match came midway through the first half Samar took a long free kick which went to Gautam Sarkar who, in turn, sent it to Surant Sengupta The latter cut in and took a swerving shot from the top of the box The East Bengal custodian, Dilip Paul, just managed to push the ball away and it came to Xavier Pius who nodded home his first goal against East Bengal The second one was also from Xavier who hit a powerful left footer after receiving a cross from Gautam The latter had suddenly moved up after the second goal

East Bengal were nowhere in the picture and conceded another goal, which was however, disallowed by referee S Hakeem Samar sent a long clearance and the ball drifted to the left flank Both Ulaganathan and custodian Dilip Paul went for the ball Ulaga dodged past and sent through a beautiful centre which Mihir Bose headed in The "goal" was disallowed by the referee who thought that Mihir had pushed stopper Monoranjan Bhat tacharya From where we sat, it had

looked a certain goal

Not that East Bengal never had their chances The Mohun Bagan custodian, Shivaji Banerjee, was a bundle of nerves. He failed to grip the hall on two occasions but somehow managed to save the situation Both these shots came from Majid The first, in the dying minutes of the first half, was a centre which slipped out of his grasp but Jamshid who was nearby could not connect. The next was in the very beginning of the second half when Shivaji just managed to put away a feeble Majid shot for a corner In the last moments of the game, both Samar and Shyamal Banerjee brought off goal line saves

The second leg was an insipid affair While Mohun Bagan were con tent to hang on to their 20 lead, East Bengal, though they dominated the first half, looked a very disjointed lot The second half saw soccer at its worst, leading a spectator to comment The Rs 7 I paid has gone down the drain It would have been better if I had slept at home "But the dying munutes of the match produced some excitement when Subroto Bhat tacharya handled the ball inside the mar leaded you look as If it was



A tussie for the ball between Majid Baskar and Subroto Bhattacharya

intentionally done but referee Kadatchamurthy (Tamil Nadu) pointed to the dreaded spot Majid, who a few moments earlier had been rolling on the ground "in pain", took the spot kick but East Bengal, to their dismay, saw Shivaji Banerjee execut ing a fine save at the second attempt

The Mohun Bagan defence, on both days, played brilliantly They never let anything get away and harried the East Bengal forwards constantly Samar was unbeatable in the air and it was a mistake on the part of East Bengal to rely on Jamshid to get the headers and bring them down for Majid to strike Samar and Subroto, both tall stoppers, did not allow him any liberties Both were also outstand ing on the ground with their timely interceptions They were ably sup

ported by the wing backs, Compton Dutta and Shyamal Banerjee The link men, Gautam and Habib, relied more on defence and went up sparingly Among the forwards, Ulaga, Mihir and Xavier combined well, especially in the first leg Surajit played in patches and one has to admit, albeit with regret, that he is no longer fit for competitive matches that last 90 mi nutes On the second day, the team relied more on defence and made hardly any positive moves The best chance of the day came when Xavier centred from the left and all Mihir and Ulaga had to do was push thell in, which they failed to do In the first leg as well, Mihir missed many chances, but he was always a hard trier who gave nothing away. He got himself injured in the later stages of the

Sidelights

nant deliberately and with malafide intent, you could be booked for manhandling? We did not know this until Molium Bagan stopperback Subroto Bhattach it was manhandled a policeman after the controversial Mohum Bagan Orkay Mills quarter final league match Apart from giving the policeman in question a push, Subroto is said to have let loose a couple of choice expletives, the choicest one expressing doubts about the legitimacy of the cops parentage Now, rubbing a cop the wrong way is just not done in Madras And Subroto could well count himself as having got away with mayhem, in Madras's scheme of

things Things were prevented from reacting flushpoint, thanks to the efforts to Mr. Vittal, Mohua. Bagan's acting captain Gantain Sar kar and manager Kesto Sen, who intervened and tendered an apology to the offender policemen.

TARUN MAJUMDAR was one of the 10 "official" vendors who came all the way from Calcutta to sell orange lozenges. Majumdar was not very impressed with the Madras crowd—his sale was no where near his expectation. It will probably be some time before Madras football fans get hooked on orange lozenges. At this tournament it was nuts which did the rounds successfulls.

CALL it an occupational hazard if you will but cameramen sit ting behind the goalline often face the danger of being hit by the ball Their problems are compounded

when you realise how tardy the prevailing marksmanship is in generals lensman G. Kernik had, the protification of seeing his expensive Nilson (replete with telephoto beneal) go for a sincoulting a life with kelephoto beneal) go for a sincoulting a life with kelephoto beneal) go for a sincoulting a life with kelephoto with the three that his colleagues too will take the clue from his experience in international match es it is mandatory that photo graphers adhere to the photo graphers line, which is something like three yards perpendicular to the corner flag and extends to a maximum of six yards parallel to the goalline

OUTSTATION teams were not very happy about the lodging facilities But the "nomads of the lot were the Railway F C team which first booked into a non descript lodge on the day of their arrival, then moved into a railway coach on one of the sidings at the Central Station They came back to another lodge after one of the knocked out teams had vacated then went back to Calcutta and returned to yet another lodge

CONJUNCTIVITIS, or 'Madras Eye" in local jargon attlicted the Border Security Force camp in a big way By the time BSF were to play their first leg semi-final against Mohameddan Sporting on May 6, the virus was on the wane And again, BSF had a day of respite when a cloudburst some 10 minutes before the start of the match on that day rendered conditions impossible for play. The match had to be postponed by a day Biswajit Bhattacharya and Shyam Thapa were the two Mohun Bagan players aftlicted by 'Madras eye second thoughts, it might have been quite a sight if we were to ee conjunctivity afflicted players tak ing the field with dark glasses!

NATIONAL coach and technical director G M H Basha was a very sad man the other day A cheque for Rs 3,100 which he had sent to his mother in Bangalore, was intercepted and encashed by some unknown person

THE panic buttons were pressed in the East Bengal came following their shock 02 defeat at the hands of Mohun Bagan in their first leg semi final There was some talk in the East Bengal camp about sending an SOS to Amal Raj, nursing an injury, in Hyderabad, to join the team in time for the second leg semi final.

SARAJIT DEB and ASHOK KAMATH



second leg and was replaced by Shyam Thapa, who also fell back to help the defence

From the East Bengal side Sekhar in stood out in the first leg. He was tried in three positions-linkman, wing back and stopper and he passed the test quite creditably. Fareed was dropped on the first day (though he came in as a substitute for Dilip Palit in the second half i and this proved to be a blunder. He had played sensibly in the earlier matches but then perhaps the coach thought that he would not be able to stand the tension that is usually associated with a Mohurt Bagan Last Bengal tic When he came in he proved that his coach had made a mistake. In the second match he again played attacking toot ball and was constantly feeding his torwards

East Bengil gimbled with Dilip Pilit They fielded him on the first day his first match in the Lederation cup perhaps going by the reasoning that he would keep Surajit Sengupta ubdued It did not work and he was promptly replaced but it turned out to be a costly error because Sur interest turned out cut in from his side only Majid and Jimshid were disappoint ing They played neither is a team nor individually and sometimes gave vent to their trustrations on the field itself What one really fuled to understand was why I ast Bengal were wasting time in the second leg. One could inderstand Mohun Bagan wasting time as they were safe, but the way the I ist Bengal players behaved it looked i if they were winning and not down two Louis

The referee was a bit harsh on Mohun Bagan. What they were disallowed what looked like a legitimate to il on the first day a penalty was waided against them in the second by Bur perhaps justice prevailed as I ast Bengal were unable to score.

MOHAMMEDAN SPORTING vs. BSF

One had expected Mohammed in Sporting to chilk up a size ible margin in the first leg itself. But then one had forgotten that BSF were capable of putting up a stubborn fight. They did that in the first leg and even went ihead in the second leg only to lose it. I. They played as a team, their defence clearing without hesitation above all there was a great individual performance from that great player virendra Gurung.

The first leg was evenly contested with BSF having a slight edge as far as coring opportunities were contined—three to Mohammedan Sportings one But none was converted

In the second leg they began with a bing and went into the lead in the 15th minute, through Nand Kishore, ho headed in a centre from Narendra Gurung. Stung by the reverse, Moham medical location stant all out in attack



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and got the equiliser through a gem of a goal by Md. Akbar in the first half itself. Akb it got a loose ball on the top of the box and found the roof of the net with a tremendous right footer The second half belonged to Moham med in Sporting as they got two more goals through Tapan Das (who had replaced Bidesh Bose in the second halt) ind Manish Bhattacharya re spectively. Tapan's was from a goal mouth scramble while Manash's was a beauty. He sent a swerving kick right. from the corner tlag which went straight into the net much to the istonishment of custodian Madan Mohan

Drama was reserved for the final stage of the match when Moidul Islam handled the ball inside the penalty box but referee Soundrapandiyan allowed the match to continue in spite of some violent protests from the BSF players

There were some ugly scenes wit nessed after the match. Scuffles took place between the players of the rival teams and police had to intervene to save the situation. The BSF team was boosed all the way from the stadium and they entered the bus under heavy police guard.

Mohammedan Sporting had taken the first leg rather lightly and nearly paid the penalty BSF were a very spirited lot and went all out led by Gurung He was a real treat to watch and was always marked by at least two or three players. What is remarkable about his game is that he never touches his opponent and whenever he is moving with the ball-keeps it on the outside of his left foot so that the opponent can never get a clear look at it. He took a few shots at the goal which were real gems but Bhaskar Ganguly rose to the occasion and saved them Only after they were down by a goal did Mohammedan Sporting get down to serious business and go all out Skipper Moidul Islam stood out in the team with his cool demeanour anticipation and tackling But he tended to hang on to the ball tor too long, which could have proved dangerous

We are step-sons of the TN Government: Vittal

THE Fifth Federation Cup owes a lot to one man—N Vittal the convenor of the tournament. It was virtually a one man show He looked after everything Making arrangements for the invitation of the VIPs tackling the clubs with an iron hand dealing with the Press et al. It was difficult pinning him down at one spot for long but between his daily chores SARAJIT DEB interviewed him about some of the aspects of the tournament Excerpts.

SPORTSWORID After a lapse of 10 years a major football tournament is being held in this city (after the 1971 Nationals) and yet we find the condition of the ground especially the stadium, the same Why was it not possible to either renovate or build a new stadium in the interim

N VITTAI This is simply because of the step motherly attitude of the state Government. They do not understand or do not try to understand our problems. We could have made this a much better attain if we had a puccast idium. And for that reason I am trying to bring people who matter in the Government as chief guests so that they can see for themselves the need for a proper stadium. I only hope that they realise our difficulties and report them to the Government.

SW Don't you think that the temporary wooden stands are dangerous? An accident may occur, which might turn out to be very serious

VITTAL It is not that we do not know about this problem I only pray to God that nothing untoward occurs though we have got the stands insured and give the contract to the man who has done a lot of similar work for the Government

SW Besides the danger of the wooden galleries collapsing, there is also the financial aspect. It must be costly to erect the 30 odd tier wooden galleries.

VITTAI We have spent about Rs 175 lakhs on the stadium. For the ground we have to give 1 of our gross income to the corporation, who own

the ground This will come close to another lakh Every year we spend about Rs 50 000 for the construction of the galleries when the various local soccer tournaments are held in Madras Don't you think it's a waste of money? All these expenses would have been spared if we had a proper stadium

SW In the light of all these difficul ties, why didn't you stage the cham pionship where there are better arrangements, say Coimbatore?

VITTAL It could have been done but it would have meant that we were avoiding tackling the problem. We wanted to prove that we are capable of conducting a tournament in adverse conditions. We wanted it to be an eve opener for the people who matter in the Government, so that the permission is granted to build a stadium.

SW What plans do you have for this "future" stadium?

VITTAL We want it to be a 40 tier stadium all around with floodlight arrangements We the Madras Foot ball Association are willing to spend a third of the total cost with the Govern ment and the corporation. Our share was estimated to be Rs 7 lakhs. But suddenly the Government is siving that they want to make arrangements for colour and black and white TV and that our share will be Rs 40 lakhs What benefit will we get it there is TV The Central Government owns it we do not want to spend on something which is of no use to us. I only hope an amicable understanding will take place and the work of the tadium will start soon

SW There have been a lot of complaints about the transport system for this tournament. Teams have been seen waiting for the bus to take them back to their hotels while referees have to wait after the match. Why this inconvenience for the participants?

VITTAL I m really sorry for the inconvenience caused to the players and the referees. We tried our best to get as many buses as we could but failed. The Government was charging us charter rates which we found too expensive for us. As for the school buses most of them are away from the city, for excursion trips. So we had to make do with those available. I only hope the people will bear with us and understand our difficulties.

SW In the entire championship, only three outstation referees were seen in action S Hakeem (Services), Tarak Sen and Milan Dutta (Bengal) Since in most of the quarter final league matches, at least one Calcutta team was playing, it was not being possible to post a referee from Bengal (though Tarak Sen did conduct the Mohun Bagan BSF Match) That left only S Hakeem to supervise three matches in four days Why didn't you bring more referees?

VITTAL Who said that we didn't invite more referees? Along with the

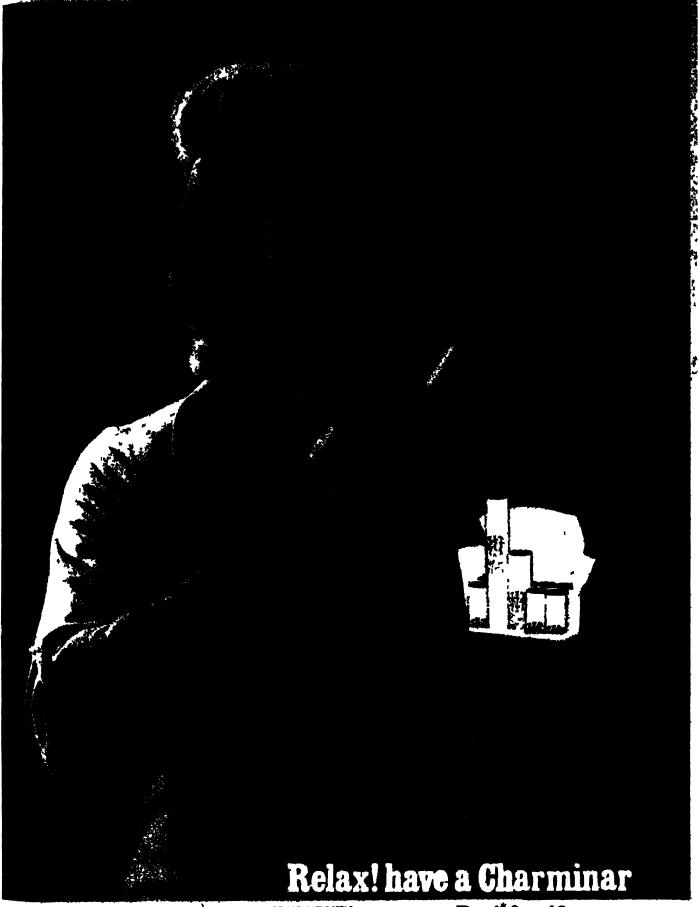
three you have mentioned, we had sent invitations to Alex Vaz, Len D'Sa, 5 Shetty, Suvarna, Melvyn D'Souza and S Banerjee Both Melvyn and Baneriee are out of the country-while the former has gone on some protes sional work, Banerjee for personal reasons Suvarna had sent us a letter, through his employers to the effect that he had already expended all his leave and for that reason, he would not be able to come Alex Vaz said in writing that he would not be able to exist on the Rs 40 that is the daily allowance for referees. He wanted a raise Len D Sa and S Shetty both of Maharashtra said that they were con ducting matches at the Statford and that they would join us late

As the chairman of the Referees' Board in the AIFF I will not allow indiscipline to creep in It they think the Stifford is more attractive (I hear they were getting Rs 100 daily) than the Federation Cup it is for them to decide. All these points were discussed at length at the last Working Committee meeting of the AIFF where I clearly stated that one referee (no matter who he is should not be distinguished from the others. If the Working Committee had decided that the referees needed more money we were willing to give it but not to one referee ilone About Len D Sa and S Shetty we have sent a letter to the Maharashtra Referees Association to find out the exact reasons for their not coming for the Federation Cup They must reply to us and it the reason given is not satisfactory. I assure you proper action will be taken against them They will suffer for their own tollies

SW We know how Railway Foot ball Club got themselves invited for the Federation Cup (this appeared in an earlier issue) What strikes me as strange is why Punjab Police, last year's semi finalist, were not invited And why were four local teams invited for the championship?

VITTAI We want to be a bit flexible After all it is for the betterment of Indian tootball I think Punjab Police were invited last year because BSI withdrew from the tournament They reached the semi final, where they lost badly We have invited two teams from Punjab BSI and JCT Both are better than Punjab Police, at least their performances speak for them selves In addition, Punjab Police have no star value these two teams are more attractive

As for the four local teams, tell me how local players can flourish if they are not given a chance to participate in major tournaments. Among the four, ICF and Reserve Bank justified their inclusion Though they lost they both fought gamely When the idea of fielding a Federation XI was dropped we tried to bring a foreign team (even the AICS had told us to go ahead), but the AIFF did not allow us and we had to the the team of the team o



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SHRINIVAS SALIAN (ORKAY MILLS)

The 12 day gap between the qualifying rounds and the quarter final league had an adverse effect on my team. No one who had watched our performances in the initial stages could have believed that it was the same team in the quarter final league. In the preliminary matches, Orkay Mills functioned as a team but this was not the case in the later stages of the tournament. In fact, the whole complexion of our game changed after we lost the match against Railway F. C. In that particular encounter, we created at least six openings, but failed to convert them and lost the match 1.2

This defeat upset the morale of the side and in the next match against Mohun Bagan, we played moderate occir. Our performance against BSF was expected. We had nothing left in the tournament and though I repeated by told my boys not to take the match lightly it was apparent that they did heed my words. I have nothing to say against my defenders who did whatever was expected from them. The link men played to their limitations except against. BSF.

But my forwards disappointed me totally. They were nowhere near the form that they had produced in the initial stages. Bernard Pereira my key forward failed miserably perhaps because he had played so many tournaments before the Federation Cup Amarjit. Singh never produced his best. The whole team needs a lot of brushing up and it will take some time but let us hope we perform better in the next tournament.

SANKAR SARKAR (RFC)

Our performance in the initial stages of the tournament was satisfactory. We played well against ITI and Tatas (twice) but could not do the same in the quarter final league. Perhaps the extra burden of having qualified as one of the top eight teams of the country was too much for our young players who did not play their natural game. The only remedy for this is participating in more major tournaments, thereby gaining exposure against the top teams of the country. This will help in eradicating any tendency towards panic.

Satyajit Ghosh Bakul Das and San

Satyajit Ghosh Bakul Das and San jib Dev have never played for a first division side before and it goes to their credit that they played well whenever required But they too have their limitations. In the match against

Mohun Bagan, Satyajit played exceptionally well, but his inexperience cost us the first goal when he, along with Biswajit Bera, went for the header A more experienced player would have waited for the ball. It proved to be a very costly mistake. My boys never displayed the form that they had in the Stafford Cup

Sukumar Mukherjee joined our side at the quarter final stage and somehow never fitted into the team. He has a tendency of occupying a lot of space when going for the ball. He is basically a feeder and not a snatcher, so we faced this deficiency when we played against BSF and Mohun Bagan.

Ranjit Chatterjee is the player who impressed me the most. He always goes for tackles and does not have a trace of fear, a trait that is not seen in every player these days. But he did not have the support from the other for wards. Kishore Mukherjee played only in patches, Arup Bhattacharya is fast but he does not have dodging abilities. Utpal Neogi has this "fear complex" and must overcome this if he wants to become a good footballer.

It would be an injustice to Santosh Bose, our custodian, f I failed to mention him He had a successful tournament and brought off a couple of very good saves Our best match was against BSF and the worst against Mohun Bagan In the latter game, Aloke Majumder did well to bottle up the wily winger Surajit Sengupta

The key to our success was deter mination along with tremendous team spirit. We fought till the very end, but in the last match against Mohun Bagan, we gave up Perhaps this was due to the fact that we have playing a big name. As I said earlier, the more tournaments we play, the quicker we will overcome this.

T SHANMUGHAM (SALBAONCAR)

In the quarter final league we failed to produce the form we had displayed in the qualifying matches. Our match against JCT was a mediocre affair. In the recent past we have played quite a few matches against each other and each side is therefore accustomed to the other's style of play. We could not score a single goal despite the fact that we enjoyed more of the exchanges. Our defence functioned well and did not allow the Punjab side to create a single opening

Against Mohammedan Sporting we badly felt the absence of Anthony Rebello particularly in the second half Against East Bengal we had more of the exchanges but once again our forwards failed to utilise chances We missed Camilo that day, and also Jaoa, who had to pull out owing to injury

I have been coaching this team for the past one and a half years. You can not change one's basic style—my boys tend to play across instead of forward. I have been trying my best to change that, but have not succeeded till now

I must admit that some of my play ers performed excellently in this

tournament The first name that comes to my mind is that of Brahmanand who brought off some incredible saves Anthony was like a tiger in the defence, while Oscar was also very de pendable In the midfield, only Jose D'Souza satisfied me Valentine and Arnold did not live up to their reputations Camilo, in the forward line, was speedy and a constant threat to the rival defence

We faced a lot of injury problems in the quarter final league, which cer tainly reduced the strength of our team Overall, our performance was not all that disappointing, though I expected a lot more

e s. virk (JCT)

We did not reach our peak form at any stage in the tournament. We play ed below par even in the qualifying rounds In our first match against ICF, we took time to get adjusted to the ground conditions and the Madras cli mate Though we drew 3 3 with CIL we won the replay 4 1, Harjinder perform ing a hat trick But our weakest link, for the entire tournament, was our goalkeeper who played with a limp and who could not even walk properly This affected the morale of our side In spi e of that, the other players fought well, but our main drawback was that our forwards wasted a lot of chances

Now to the individual perform ances Only Parminder and Harjinder played well in the defence, Sukhvin der played his normal game, but Parmar, because of a muscle pull, was not up to the mark He could not run properly, but he carried on gamely, just for the sake of the team

I do not want to criticise my play ers, but I must add that in a big match, only a few chances can be expected and one must avail of these opportunities. My forwards, especially Kashmira, failed in this respect and we lost Definitely, I'm not satisfied with the performances of my team, but then we tried our best

PRABIR MAJUMDAR (EAST BENGAL)

AFFER the Statford Cup most of our outstation players returned home. That left me with very few players for practice sessions, which were held for only three or four days. Right from the beginning. I was not satisfied with the performance of my team though they won their first two matches quite convincingly. There are a lot of talented players in their ranks and I expected much more from them.

Though we lost 0 2 against Moham medan Sporting, I would say that was our best performance in this year's Federation Cup It was a pacy match and both sides had their opportunities but as they were able to convert their half chances they won We failed to convert whatever came our way I knew the semi final against Mohun Bagan would be tough No matter how weak a side is, they will fight because

it's the name that matters

In the first leg, our forwards failed again to utilise opportunities. That was the only day that my defence cracked a little, otherwise they played good, sensible football throughout the championship. My team failed miser ably that day and we lost. The second leg was a tame affair. Perhaps the players were too worked up. The heat also had its effect. Though we dominated the first half my forwards again failed to score.

The entire stength of our attack is the Majid Jamshid combination. The team relies heavily on them, but they failed to live up to expectations I do not know what went wrong with them but they did not combine well in one single match. We badly felt the absence of Amalias in the half line. He hurt his knee in the Stafford Cup and could not participate in any of the matches here. His inclusion would have strengthened the midfield as he is a good tackler and distributes the ball well. Farced is a hard worker but he needs polishing C D Francis in the attack has speed and if we had Debashis Roy (injured during the last Nationals) on the left flank, the attack would have been more penetrative The overall performance of the team really disappointed me

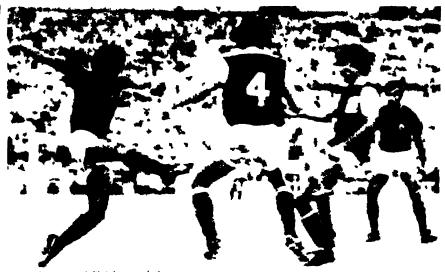
KESHO KRIPAL SINGH (BSF)

WI played well that is to our limitations I do not expect wonders from my players but I will not say that they disappointed me. We played the first match against Railway Football Club barely 24 hours after we came to Madras. It took us some time to settle down and we did not play well that day drawing 2.2. We improved graduilly and in the next match beat Orkay 2.0. In the quarter final league we played our best match against Mohun Bag in. We went into the lead but could not hold on to it.

In the first leg of the semi-final against Mohammedan Sporting, we enjoyed the better of the exchanges and should have had taken the lead that day In the second leg we took the lead but our goalkeeper was responsible for conceding two out of three goals. When we were leading Pradip Subba and Nand Kishore missed sitters If those had been converted we would have been safe. I agree that Mohammedan Sporting, was better in every department but my boys played

a spirited game

Now about the individual perform ances of my boys. Narendra Gurung stood out He did not get the support from the other forwards but I am not blaming them. Pradip Subba is a new boy and will take time to adjust. On the other hand, Nand Kishore is get ting older and is now definitely over the hill. Our weakest area is the mid field. I never expected more than they delivered. They worked hard that's all. My detence played well, especially the two stoppers, Joginder Singh and Harbhajan Singh. What was creditable.



Surayil Sengupta (left) takes a shot

on their part was that they realised their own potential and never tried to dilly dally with the ball. They believed in quick clearance and the ploy worked well. Our goalkeeper is also past his prime. Madan Mohan no longer collects ground shots properly. The team needs new blood to teplace the aging players. Only then will it turn out to be a fighting unit.

ABDUS SATTAR (MOHAMMEDAN S. C)

I AM satisfied with the perform ance of my team in the Federation Cup I took over the responsibility of coaching the side a few days before the Gold Cup at Patna when I realised that my defence had a few deficien cies Besides since both my halves ite left footed footballer the right side was a bit neglected Prasun Banerice however has gradually adjusted to his new position as the right linkman After the Gold Cup we participated in the Statford Cup at Bangalore where our performance improved as the defence became a lot tighter. This trend continued in the Federation Cup and we improved with each outing We reached our peak against East Bengal in the last match of the quarter final league. In the first match against BSI (first leg semifinal) the players tended to relax perhaps because of our win against East Bengal--our first in 14 years But in the second leg we played to our standard and won the match easily. I have nothing much to say about the final. We had an off day and it was our worst performance in the Federation Cup

SANKAR BANERJEE (MOHUN BAGAN)

I TOOk charge of the team barely three days before we came to the Federation Cup. A few new players had joined the side this year, so it took some time to build up a proper combination. We did not play well at all in the quarter final league, though we headed the cluster with two wins and a

drived had a lot of problems. My torward were not combining at all though there were a few flishes of individual brilliance from Ulaga in ith in. Our midfield was weak Cautiin Sarkii was set to touch any where near the form he is capable of producing while Sujas. Bera, who joined the team this sear was finding it difficult to adjust. That put my defence under a lot of pressure but I was confident about them. They were plasing well.

Before we met I ist Bengal in the semitinal. I had told giv players that the would have to tight if they were to make a match out of it. The whole team is based on the defenders, and I teld the placers to go all out. The inclusion of Habib helped the team a lot Somehow the right spirit surfaced and c cr. player fought in the first les in citori that bore truit In the second leg my forwards failed but the detenders made up for those lapses. I do not want to single out any one of them All tour Compton Subroto Simar and Shvamil played well My players were also suffering from psychological pre sure. They played with the knowledge that they had to keep the 20 lead we had gamed in the first leg. It definitely iffected their Limi

In the finil we played a much better game and won. My whole strategy was centred around the two wingers and the two side backs. They played to my expectations and it brought us glory. Shyamal played a wonderful game covering a lot of space. Perhaps it was the best game of his life. I do not want to name any other player individually as everyone fought tooth and nail and played their parts well. In the end I want to add what I have already said and that the whole complexion of my team changed after. Habib joined it.

Before the tournament most of the papers, including your, had stated that we are the third team. But we fought spiritedly and won the first major and the most prestigious tournament of the

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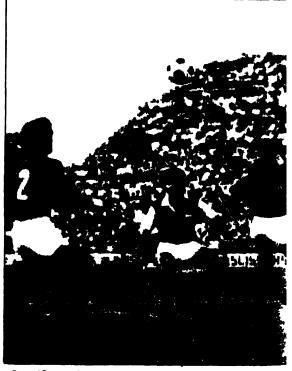
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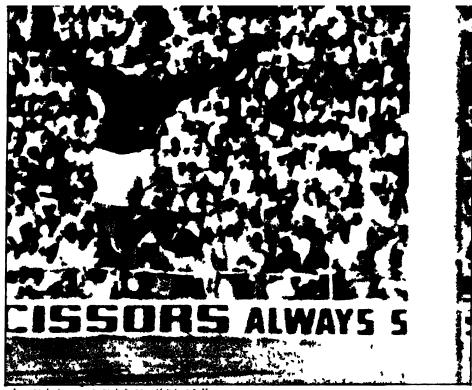
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Shyamal Banayoe (2) has his eyes on the ball as Albar and Mohun Bagan Infendors Sarrair Bhallashanus and Galaten Barlor wall for the codesine







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WORLD TABLE TENNIS

Indians trained the wrong way

GEETI THADANI looks back on why the Indians failed at Novi Sad

In the previous world championships at Pyongyang, the Indian women's team had the distinction of being the strongest team in Category II Howev er at Novi Sad it was an entirely different story Playing in Category I meant playing against the top bracket teams making them very much the underdogs This seemed to tell on them and they staited the cham pionships on an unsure note, lacking in confidence As the tournament prog ressed, they became further demoral ised They began by playing against Yugoslavia, who were represented by Perkucin and Palatinus Both are very compact on the table players with consistency being their force. They both have a very consistent forchand spin, as well as a counter spin, which they use mainly as an opening as the ploy is not very powerful

The Indians could not do much and

lost in straight matches Shaila's de fence was casily unravelled and their counterplay was a little sharper than

Indu's

Their next tie was against Figland Indu lost the first match to Karen Witt in two straight but close games. Snig dha Mehta made her international debut in this tie, but could do precious little against Jill Hammersly's de

It was very much the same story in the later ties the Europeans being too much for the Indians Shaila did however manage to play a good match against France's Davaud By the mid dle of the championships, the Indians had resigned themselves to relegation into the second category, with the result that they performed poorly in the playoff match

They met Finland, whom they had defeated 30 during the last world championships This time, however, the tables were turned, with the Indi ans losing 30 No doubt the Finnish team had improved but not to the extent shown by the results Both Indu and Shaila conceded unpardonable points at crucial stages and the dou bles match in which they were leading 20 16 in the final game was virtually thrown away

The main reason for this absence of fighting spirit was the inadequate pre paration for the championships. This was further aggravated by the lack of interest shown by the North Korean coach, who was training them In fact, this gentleman had privately express ed the view that the women had no chance of remaining in Category I The training methods were totally inept

No attempt was made to analyse how best the Indians could adapt their game to counter the European style of play Instead, they were made to train on North Korean lines, thus laying too much stress on the forehand topspin at the expense of any other stroke This also negates the idea of a strong back hand This type of game is not suited to the Indians for they do have neith er the movement nor the temperament to restrict their play solely to their forehand

For instance, Indu is predominantly a feeder, known for her angled block ing and counter play She needed to work on her finishing ability, after creating openings with her angled play Her receiving of service and understanding of loose and chopped shots should also have been brushed up She should also have practised blocking loops and dummy loops rather than driving. Her blocking, which is normally her forte, was way which is normally her forte, was way below par Most Indians find Shaila's loose backhand chops very difficult to tackle, but the Europeans are adept at playing this type of shot This upset Shaila, who is so used to sending across loose shots that she found it difficult to suddenly start chopping hard Her service receiving too should have been worked on, as well as her consistency in playing a loop and drop game Apart from all this, it must be realised that the Indian women have not played any European teams since the 1975 World Championships and this lack of exposure and experience can make a great difference



CHINA has always dominated the women's events and this time too it was no different At Novi Sad, however their team consisted of a number of new faces, people whom we had not seen at the last worlds. The previous strategy used by the Chinese used to be the high toss service and a fast on the table pimpled penhold attack but the focus has now shifted to a strong topspin. The two main exponents of this type of game are Cao Yanhua and Qi Baoxiang.

The other two main Chinese play

The other two main Chinese play ers were Zhang Deying and Tong Ling Zhang plays the fast pimpled game whereas Tong Ling is a defensive play er There were no surprises in the first round Jill Hammersly and Judith Magos both made their exit in the second Jill lost to Huang Jungun a combination racket player Jill could not understand the Chinese girl's game at all and succumbed without much of a fight Magos, who is known for her powerful drive lost to a detensive Soviet player, Bulatova in five games, mainly because of her nervous ness

Reaching the prequarters were seven Chinese six of whom made the quarter finals the seventh Chinese girl losing to her teammate. The only player to offer any resistance to the Chinese was Lee Soo Ja of South Korea In the prequarters she disposed of Lisong Suk, the runner up at the last world championships in straight games. In the quarters she beat Qi Baoxiang in five games Lee won the first two games easily but subsequently lost the next two In the tifth she held on to an early lead to come through on 17 The other quar ter final match that was not an all China affair was the one between ex world champion Pak Yun Sun and Tong Ling who had beaten her in the last championships at Pyongyang Pak tried to catch Tong Ling on the time limit but could not cope with lings variation caving in quite easily. The matches where the Chinese plaved each other were incredibly dull the results being pre determined

Shailaja—backhand chops were no counter to the Europeans



It was the same thing even in the semi final match between Zhang Deying and Tong Ling Tong Ling's victory indicated the Chinese choice for the world title In contrast, the semi final match between Lee Soo Ja and Cao Yan Hua was a thriller Lee Soo Ja uses a pimpled racket with a shakehand grip She uses good angled blocking tactics and an effective back hand opening which she follows up with a forehand kill The first games

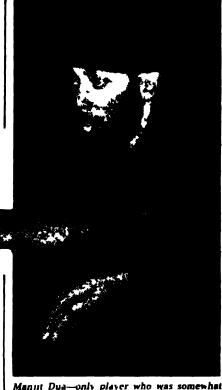


idvantage of her service led 20 17 Lee equalised but finally gave in after saving five match points with the scoreboard reading 25 23. The final was a predictable affair with Tong Ling beating Cao in five exhibition games.

Clinese domination was thus very clearly established and it is doubtful whether it will be challenged in the near future. The Europeans do not have the power to get past them nor is their defensive play strong enough to upset them Also, their understanding of the combination racket play is not up to the mark The Japanese and North Korcans are still playing along very traditional lines and do not have the understanding and flexibility to cope with the Chinese The South koreans are the only ones who have managed to somewhat threaten the Chinese but one does not know how they will play against the new game inspired by the combination racket a mixture of attack and defence In all probability this is the type of game the Chinese are going to develop in the future

THE Indian men were unlucks to be drawn in a tough group, along with Nigeria, Denmark Hong Kong, Norway, Finland, Bulgaria and Israel

The first tie they played was against Nigeria, whom they had last beaten 54 Even then they had looked vulnerable against the double flank topspin game employed by the Nige rians This time, all they could do was take one match. The same fate awaited them in their ties against Denmark and Bulgaria, as they lost 25 and 35 respectively Manmeet always been vulnerable against the double flank game, and the training he received from the North Korean coach laid emphasis on playing only a forehand game This proved disastrous for him, for he does not have a strong loop and in fact uses his forehand stroke as a finishing stroke and not in order to gain an opening. His counter and jab was his main protection against the



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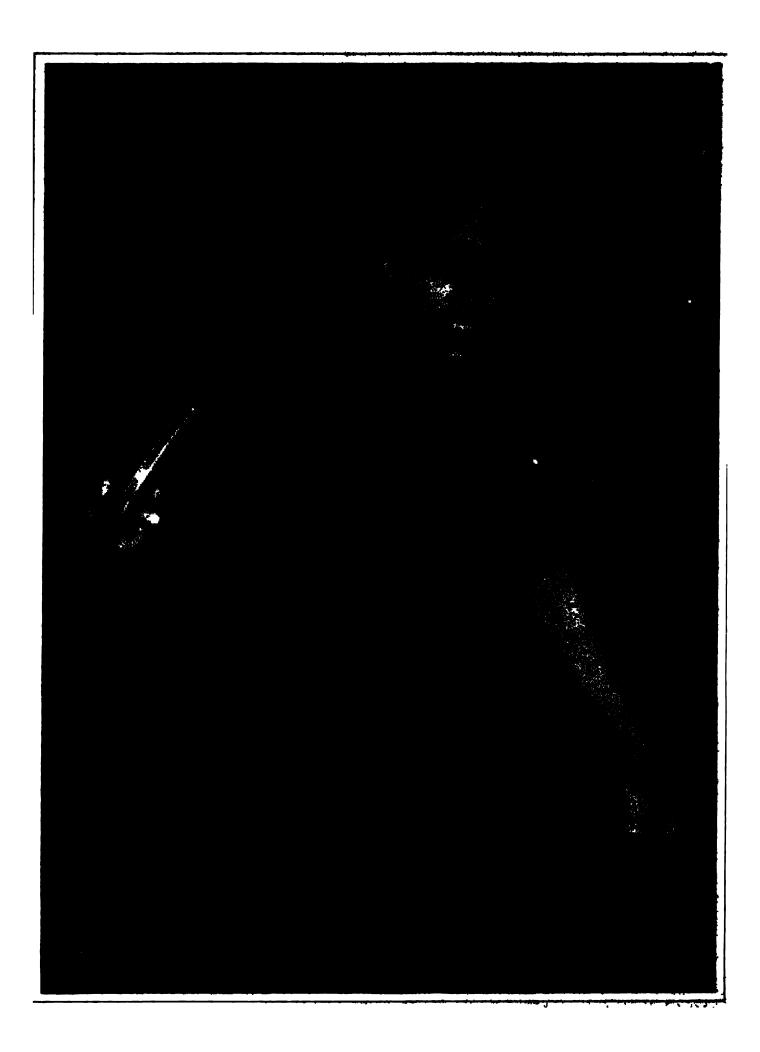
double flank game, but even this had been weakened by the coaching he had received

After the 1979 world cham pionships Chandra tried to develop something of a backhand but since then he has reverted to his original game Manjit was the only player who was somewhat effective but this was partly due to the fact that he is a left hander This makes his side spun forehand topspin effective

India suffered their third defeat against Hong Kong The Hong Kong players all play with combination rack ets or use very slow rubber on one flank The Indians could not adjust to this and lost 35 India eventually tinished fifth in their group, beating Israel 50 Finland 51 and Norway 54

In the play off position they trounced Malaysia 50, thus avenging the defeat they had suffered in the Calcutta Asians They finished 26th, however surprisingly losing to Fin land Their low ranking, as I men tioned earlier, was due to a very weak backhand and the inability to under stand the on the table tactics used by players wielding combination rackets This is a type of play which is fast gaining prominence. The coaching they received was obviously not the right kind This championship clearly indicated the weakness of the single flank game, with North Korean (especially) and Japanese players losing to double flank players

In order to make any kind of impact on the international scene, the Indians must change their style of play in order to cope with the European game Firstly they must decide whether they



want to follow the same approach as the Europeans or if they want to modify their own style of play They could also try out the combination racket game developed by the Chinese Whatever they do a reliable

backhand is essential

In the singles event Kamlesh Mehta and Stiram both lost their first round matches in the qualifying singles Kamlesh lost to Neil Ward of Australia, a rather mediocre player Stiram on the other hand lost to Park Lee Hee South Korea's best player. It was surprising that Lee had to qualify as he had scored impressive victories in the team matches and in fact was responsible for South Korea beating France Sweden and North Korea. Stir im put up a good fight in the first game. Leading 15.12 at one stage he could not fully comprehend. Lee's variation and lost in straight games.

Manmeet won his first two qualifying rounds quite easily but in the third he met a Hong Kong junior who played with a combination racket Manmeet could not make out his variation especially the variation on his services and caved in 12. Both Chan dra and Manut lost their fir t round matches in the main draw losing to Bengtsson and Yoo St Keung to pectively. Chandra lost to Benetsson to straight games. He placed a few good drives but was unable to receive Beng tsson - crvices effectively and could not march his opponent strokeplay Manjit log the first two came casily He managed to take the third but it 19 20 in the fourth ∠imi he made a costly mistake to loce the match

CHINA'S triumph in the ment term of a ment tyle of plan Mort of the new player from China's a combination rack et one side of which has loomy reted tubber and the other ide pimpled tubber.

This new set of placers placed ector the table and posics powerful force hand drives good blocks from both flanks and use very good chop variation in their services, got mainly from switching ricket flinks. Their main we ipon is the variation they get from their racket which enables them to serve very loose or very heavily chopped and enables them to block eather very slow or fast, thus not allowing the double flanker to get into his rhythm Their main strategy is to feed the opponent force a weak return indthen finish with their powerful fore hand They also get a great service advantage. The main question ask d before the opens was how the Furo peans would tackle this new kind of game. The first round started off with two major upsets ex world champion Seiji Ono losing to John Hansen and Nic Saike (sixth seed) losing to Lric Lindh Ono lost in five games with the fifth being decided on extra points Hansen (Denmark) a lett hander plays the conventional double tlank game which Ono has always been water egainer. What however baffled



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a. Hansen's backhand opening of active causing Ono to concede the deciding vital points in the final game. Sake a penhold player who use a pumpled racket and who is known for his tree in the typle play, localing strucht cimes to line lindh in up. ind coming junior from Sweden Lindh trike the ball fluently from both fluid. Unlike the Hungaran however he does not move fir awiv from the table nor doc he spin the ball in tend preferring to stay or top. of the bill a much a possible thus getting better penetration out of histroke. He also tries to pack speed into his trokes. His teammate. Appel. eren plays a somewhat amilar came and var responsible for the exit of mother Chinese. In Zhen hi, who is concidentally a penhold pimpled play er also known for his fast on the fable play

In the third round Gerkels went out to Shi Zhi Hao ea combination racket player) in a close match Gerkels led 18.17 in the final game but Hao held service which made all the difference. This other good match in this round was between Carlsson and Wang Hniyuar Carlsson staked a makinificent recovery from 14.19 down in the fourth game to be a matchpoint up at 20.19 on his own service. Carlsson served outside and got a winning tops pin In the fifth game however. Wang did nothing wrong

The only Chinese player to lose in the pre-quarter finals was Huang Liang, a defensive player Bengtsson

understanding his variation well took the match in five games Cai Zhen Hua a powerful built left hander who plays with a combination racket, de molished Jonser 30 Jonser now growing old was too slow to cope with the Car's tactics Also he was unable to return Cai's powerful drives Both the young Swedish players made their exit losing to two Europeans Suntrek accounted for Lindh whereas Klamp at took care of Appelgren However, these two players -especially Appel gren-are clearly the players of the future. The day of the quarter final scemed to be a day for the Europeans Bengtsson after losing the first game to Hio began to comprehend Hios variation and proceeded to win the next three games and the match. Wang was notable to handle Surbek's loops and services and surprisingly lost in strught games. The third Europe in Klimp ir however once again lost is linst Guo Yue Hua Winning the tirst Lime Klamp it looked a though he would wenke his deteat it the hands of Hua in the 1979 worlds but will too inconsistent in the next three uccumbing ultimately

The semitinals were very much a Chine conflair with both the Huas winning Cuo Yue Hua demolished Surbek exposing his weak backhand Throughout the match Hua was feed in Surbek foreing him to hit a weak loop which he would then drive

Carlooked to be having every easy time as an 1 Bengt on yinning the first two kame on 1 and 9 Bengtson previously playin is ate on Hurs service. Earted opening taking the initiative acver point. He came right back into the match drawing level at two all In the final came he built up a 10.4 lead but then again started actting stack on Cars service. Car who had been serving maint loose uptal then addenly started very he wily chopped service, equalised at 15 all and even turily won on 16.

The final was expectedly a product runned affor with Car Zhen Huapic entime, the match to Guo Yue HuaBoth players played exhibition 1. I afternately lobbing and demonstrating troke the had not played before

In the women singles both Vvoma Shah and Snigdha Mehta lost in the second round of the qualitying singles feing her first match as the first round will a byel proved lucky for Vvoma as she was able to enter and win the consolation event providing India with the first ever gold medal

Shail it a lost in the first round of the main draw caving in to Hellman's consistent loop attack. Not possessing in attack on which she can tely. Shall must bank on her variation and consistency in her retrieving ability. Hellman did not have any problem under standing. Shail a variation and Shail a sterrieving was certainly below what she is a ually capable of

Industrially started playing with confidence. She disposed of in Austrian player in the first round and lost to a Czech in five close games.

ENGLAND-WINDIES SERIES REVIEW Botham's brigade fought honourably



However, the end result could have been much worse, and in a certain way the outcome can be deemed a defeat without disgrace, with plenty to look forward to in the clashes with Austra lia and India given an astute approach by the English selectors. This might sound a bit outlandish, so let me

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Rarely if ever has a unit been as illiand is the squad under Ian Potham First of all the weather in the initial part of the tour left the visiting busmen shorn of vital match practice Then the tragic death of assistant minager Ken Barrington, the chief tactician in the side not to mention the Jackman attair Over and above all this Bob Willis premature return not merely deprived the Englishmen of their most experienced bowler but also of an invaluable member of the think tank. Another crucial factor was the fitness for the lack of it of thris Old As if takling the undispured world champion, was not but den enough these unhappy events steered the situation beyond young Potham or anybody control In fact not many would have been surprised had Ingrand in the circumstances lost all four Tests. That they didn't is testimony to their realience

I love then emerged is the player of the series and that was greateredit for a man written off by criticanot so long upo. His display in Paketan went exactly encounting, et man willight exhibition he stole the thunder from the younger men with remarkably consistent performances. But can have one to that matter Richards achievement be labelled as extraordinary. Look at the bowlers they had to handle. Only one exponent of proven ability in Both in him elfind in Graham balle and John lambure two mergy but had him experienced nervices but had in mean appearenced nervices.

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In contract the wielder of the villow in the other camp were subjected to a most harrowing time. If one quickie went off mother equally fist nd penetiative took hisplace. And it was not merely the threat of deliveries flying past one's ear but all the raftsmanship blended with the in timidation. In the face of such bomburdment for Graham Gooch Geoff Boycott Peter Willey and David Gow r to hoist the number of runs they did was exemplary to say the least. In leed Gooch two hundreds far out hone the couple Richards obtained although the latter's demeanour durng the essits at his home ground in Antigua amounted to the most omiious message handed out by any hat nan in the entire series. It was author is beyond compare

But Incland's predicament was nighlighted not by the West Indian satismen, but by the duo of Colin Croft and Mich icl Holding who had to offer sice like fire and not unmixed with ubtlety Quite understandably, in a egion so replete with tast bowlers, it is a fierce tussle for spoils amongst the



tour who make the Test side Interestingly enough for quite some time in the near past, the slowest of them ill—local Carner—has picked up the richest haul

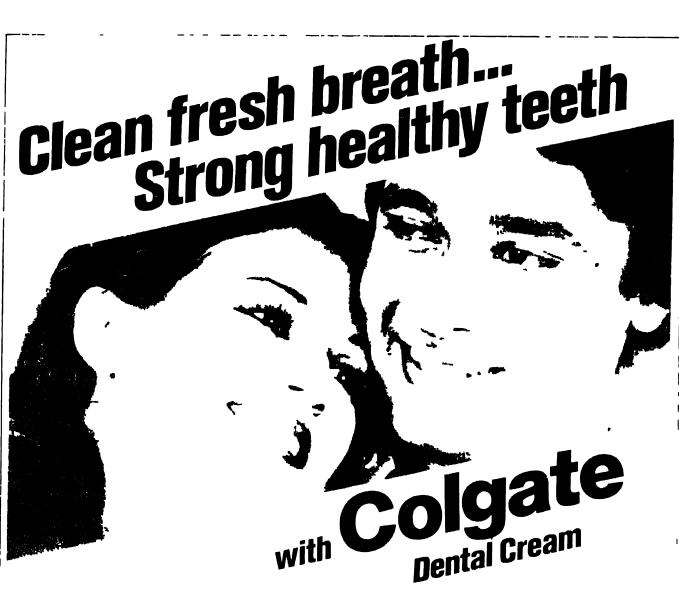
But from the trip to Pakistan on wards Croft who was in and out of the lests in Ingland last summer has innounced himself as the most danger ous ind devistating of the lot Holding is still a shade faster and hi style as Boscott has said as reminiscent of a Rolls Royce on motion but Croft has become the really awkward customer.

His is in unorthodox action-open chested and branching on to the edge of the crease such in approach can even be described is a new scientific development akin to the advance shown by Jett Thomson with his jave lin like stretchback of the 11m But the reality of it all is that it gives Croft an extra angle to deliveries linting in which inevitably rise steeply after pitching his odd ball being the one that either cuts tway from the right hander or goes through straight. When all others tailed he was always the last resort And more often than not he responded splendidly to his captain's call, as evidenced from the bag of 24 wickets

OTHER than the persons mentioned those that gladdened West Indian hearts were the openers Gordon Greenidge and Desmond Havnes for the regular good starts they provided and the quate constant though not outstanding larry Gomes Indeed the reality of oung Everton Mattis coming good with an innings of 71 in the fourth. Let after failures in the two previous outings was an encouraging thought for the numerous enthulastic cricket lovers in the Caribbe in

But all was not cheerful. The conspicuous absence of Alvin Kallichar r in from the scene marking in its wike perhap a permanent exit and the apparent end of the rola for Anderson Robert could not have been relished by Lins anywhere. Killiwill surely go down in history as one of the master left handers of the post-War era and a great batsman of his time while the powerfully built Roberts will probably be remembered for the stew u dship he extended to the West Indian pice butters for the great ter part of the Seventies especially the phase midway through the decide when comparatively, he was lacking support at the other end

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tangible effort during the tour outside the Tests and it came from Lawrence Rowe captaining Jamaica just before the final Test. His hundred in the match was rated as equal to anything Richards or Lloyd had produced in the series and unmatched in terms of elegance Interestingly enough, it was not until last year when the Antiguan had completed a massacre of Australia and England that experts in the West Indies were prepared to rank this man on a par with Rowe while Jamaicans ire unwilling to accept a compari on even now All this convince one that the unsung hero of West Indi in cricket will soon be back in the Test squad Australia next winter will perhap Live rise to such a try t

Ignoring the result Ingland have ictually gained a bit from the harass ment. There is now a reliable butting nucleus, with Boycott and Gooch standing out as the best opening pair today Admittedly the number three batting position remains a problem but this can easily be solved by either promoting Gower to that role or isking Gooch to drop down in the order. The Leicestershire left hander his im proved his defence considerably but at the same time has not lost his flair for stroke play. He is in fact, a perfect choice for the number three responsibility But of course if Brian Rose can regain his spot then Gooch could be the answer with the Somerset capt iin partnering Boycott

In bowling all one can sa, is that both Dilley and Emburey have possibilities. But the return of Mike Hendrick is necessary as he cannot merely check the runs but also take idvantage of the slighte terror in technique. What Dilley had to serve up was at times a pretty inconvenient pace and Imburey a naging line and length Indeed, both were a bit unlucky in that quite a few catches were dropped off their bowling. But what was the entite them was the professional approach of

seasoned campaigner

England's higher with the int the way was Both im He fair h a strike of 15 but only as class scalps were recogniced but no - 11 that is not reflection erough , l current propensities, let it be that he averaged 10 in the innings he played Indeed the consolation for him we his fielding shich was brilliant mo tot the time The question is can be cling on to the iptaines? He probably would be c and still might for a couple of Tests igainst Australia under trial but what will decide it is the assault charge pending in court against him and also the verdict on the allegation that h manhandled an English journalist in the West Indies After all, the estab lishment cannot toler ite uncentle manly behaviour on the part of a skipper no matter how able he is And he hasn't shown many twists of in piri tion, not to speak of the sharp decline in form

But the main topic of discussion emanating from the clash between



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Anyhow what is more pertinent

now is that the same friction could crop up og im and India for in tince may be obliged to honour the Sanroe blacklist if it is approved by the Inited Nations. This will me in that Boycott will be debarred from fouring with the next England side and the very tabric of international cricket add be in jeopardy. It is therefore ential that the ensume ICC meeting debates in earnest feture arrange ments and with it present world crick et from falling of Ìι prhaps be icit tor fillia Pikistin ind We t I be orden ad a ban an all players one or a new fate. dominated cricket in South Africa But not to: past misdeme inour but for inv waywardness in future Somehow the Jackman episode has left a nasty fecl ing that unless we tread with caution, the Test structure as it stands today could be a thing of the past

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CALCUTTA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

August 16, '80 hangover continues

THE Calcutta Football League begin almost exactly where it had ended (prematurely) let ven. Vio. lence which took 16 lives on August 16 lact reaced its ugly head in the first week of the league this year. The Port Trust versus Behala Youth match was placed at the Rabindra Strobar Str. dium (in South Cilcutti) on May 4 which the former won 2.1. The Behala players claimed that the march winner by Monopit Dasive - cored from in toff side position. They ther foed the referee Huripada Das and were about to leave the field when their coach Amit is a Chosh presented them from doing so. The incident increased the ten ions both on and off the field and is soon a the referee blew the final whistle a vection of the spectators entered the iren and mainhandled the referee and his two line men-Police personnel rushed to the spot [and topped the goodlum from doing turther ham

The II A Secretary Mr Ashoke Kumar Mitra admitted that there was some trouble in the match but at was never beyond control. He denied the report publication is section of the Press that there was no II A representative present during the tie. He also said that about a dozen police personnel were present on the ground. After that incident he had requested for more police particularly for matches at the Rabindra Sarobar Stadium which a lattle last from the Madar are a

In the thing in northe enly occasion ben a referee decrion was the abjected dispute. On the Fast Bengal round on Mars Salkia Friend deleased at a Salkia Friend deleased Salkia Friend deleased Salkia Friend in the econd half Salkia. Rabin Das centred the ball from the right and it was deflected towards the Aikya goal by a Salkia forward. One of the Aikya stoppers tried to clear the ball miskicked and the ball hit the bottom of the cross piece and landed as it appeared from the calleries well within the playing area. The linesman who was then standing on the touchline signalled a goal.

In such circumstances, the linesman is definitely the best judge. But Aiky i players told me later that when they had approached the linesman he said he had not signalled a goal. His (linesman sast atement to the II A Secretary, however, was the opposite. Why then this disparity in statements?

There were also occasions when the referee took severe action is an i the players for mi conducts. The Rajas than follygunge Agragami encounter on the Mohammed in Sporting found. on May S took an ugly furn at the facend Subroto Cub cot Follyannae and Arun Nith of Kiji than (the latter meid neally haid scored the match vinner for his side, sent for a rickle Cub coulled Nith by his case and Nith returned by Tipping the for [mer Referee Bholmath Dutta even Arun Nith marchine order. One telthe hoving of a ellow eard yeald have been more appropriate. No doubt a it will a bold decision but the question one would like to a k is. Will the referee be able to take uch hold action usan table place of the last Three club

Incidentally the Calcutta giants would | have started their 1951 league campaigns from May 18 nearly three weeks after the Senior Division match es had started. Why so late? Moham med in Sporting Mohun Bagan and I ist Bengil were taking part in the Lederation Cup tournament in Mad LIS which ended only on May 10. That me insthey would have been in Calcut ti not before May 12 taking into consideration har the yould travel by trung And offer playing such a major tournament. I wanted to said them a couple of day a cest. If A Secretar

Fur vill it in thimper the leading chedule. No replied Mr Mitra. In the month of Mrv. ill the Senior Diation team, except I ist Beneal Mohun I contained Mohun middle spotting are planting exercish matches each I or the Big Three there vill be about tour or training.

But from June on yard the will have to play mere trequently than the junior cluber can more than two matches are every

The II A 1 priming of the the crucial leader of number among the Bir Hiner in the menth of July that it from July 4 and all the other of mach of vill be held at the I den Carden Sur Mark at the I den Garden of I specially after let Augusts trone in a dent of he crucial survey and surve





Let Penke Fround can held —000 slehan be in about 25,000 and the I drammed in Sporting k—and cenke. The participating team claim 10,000 tickets each for the big matches of 20,000 ticket geto them he vall we meet the domind of ether lubs and attiliated unit at the matches received at the I tence is fereighted.

In Calcutta the football aread and dlerie are constructed in ach ewithat it is easy for the pectaters to mow brickbats and mercicle the tenien both on ind off the ground, but it he Eden Guidens specturers brick to the criterich the planne ment We have hid a detailed dreat ion th the officials of the state's Home Department on the perceinf staging or to but matches. Much less number of tekets than the actual capacity will be ld ind the Ranji Stadium, the spot of he tragic incident will remain totally mpty. We have also requested the olice not to allow club flags and flag licks inside the ground as the e-diide the spectitors in groups and in tease the tensions in the galleries According to Mr Mitta the IFA has

taken other measures also for conduct ing Calcutt's football in a better way One of them is the appointment of observers which is only on an experimental basis this season. This ve ir we are alre idv sending observers to each match who are giving their views to the league sub-committee From next year onwards it would be on an official basis. More than one observer will attend every match, each observer not knowing who the others are They will submit their reports separately and contidently and the league sub-committee will take their decisions after scrutinising observers reports along with the referee's report People charge that sometimes the reterees do not give a true report on an incident. This system will at least solve that problem

The IFA has also made a few amend ments to its rules. From this season onwards no Governing Body member would be taken into either the coaching committee or the selection committees. The selectors—whether for seniors juniors or sub juniors—will be those who have played in the Santosh Trophy and the minimum

qualification for a coach will be an NIS certificate or an equivalent foreign diploma

The II A has also introduced a fatth Division this year. There were teams in the Allen League S N Basu and the 5 K Dev tournaments list season. These clubs were not under the direct control of the IFA but they had been enjoying all the facilities from the association. After taking over the stewardship of the IFA I decided to bring these open clubs under the direct control of the association. We have replaced those three tournamets by the Fifth Division League. In the Fifth Division, 64 teams are divided into eight groups. The winners and the runners up of each group will play in the knock out stages and the top two will quality to play in the Fourth Division next year Similar ly the bottom two of the Fourth Divi sion would be relegated to the Fifth " But whatever plan IFA chalks out will not solve the problems of Calcutta football unless as the IFA Secretary pointed out the Big Three' stop their trophy hunting mania

ALOK DASGUPTA. Calcutta

Can night crickets stay?

NIGHT CRICKLE has arrived in Bombay Will the traditionalists

please move over?

A night game was organised on the Wilson College Gymkhini ground which was lit by bulbs on a 35 foot tower. Iwo local sides the Blue Star Cricket Club and Lort Youngsters had the privilege of figuring in this experiment

The concept of night cricket is the branchild of the Australian magnife Kerry Packer. The relevision tycoon introduced this variation of the Lame on Channel Nine is part of his World

Series Cricket

Dara Pochkinwilla who organised the game in Bombay said. My friend and I decided to make history by ore mising the first ever right game in the city. The cost of taging the match. vis a whoppin, R 55,000. All this money was raised through donations and idverti inc. The same was thrown open to the cricket enthullists of the

The organisers claim that the Maharishtra State Covernment had sanctioned 275 kilowart of electric power for the kime. Altogether 220 bulb cach of 100 atts were used Coloured Lear was introduced. The ightscreen indles unid were black stumps and bail vere blue and a white hocker ball was a ed. The umpire voic blick frouge and ! brown huts

Mr Pochkinwill and that We tried to get the Winkhede Stadium or the Bribourne Studium for this match but the Winkhede ground will being For ready for the en unit World Cup. hockey in December while the Bridbourne Studium vie the enuc for p

tootball matches

He said the only problem was that the ball, they vere using were lighter than normal chockey halfs are general. Is lighter than cricker balls, thus the bill did not move ver much Pochk in will 132 a local umpire and a gold medallist of the 1970 umpites eximinition defended his committees decision not to invite current Test players to participate in this match Recent experiences have shown that our Test stars do not put their heart into such matches. Little wonder that benefit matches these days have be come at tice. Besides it we called Fest cricketers we would have to pay them a match fee and that would mean jacking up our already staggering budr+ t

Diana Eduly the lady cricketer who mangurated the match by bowling the first ball to former India captain Nari Contractor and Considering it least 150 feet high This will mean

was the first time a night game was being held, the organisation was pret ty good The response from the public was pretty encouraging Granted, that is that most of them were there to witness the spectacle rather than the game The crowds were in the region of 10,000 The only problem as far as the game was concerned was that when the white ball was skied it was lost in the lights. Also at times one wished that the lights had been placed it i greater height

Sandeep Patil the nation's current cricket hero commented 'I think this kind of thing could really click in India I teel the public might welcome the change. It will be good for both the cricketers and spectators. For players it would mean handsome financial rewards while the public would have a tiste of this instant cricket. The only difference between the night game as plived here and in Australia is that



mitches there were conducted be tween 2 50 pm, and 10 30 pm while this game in Bomb is commenced at 5 pm and concluded at 1.15 am. This could create transport problems particular ly for those who stay for away and rely on trungind buses

But Bapu Nadkarni the assistant manager of the Indian team on the recent tour to Australia and New Zea I ind had his own doubts on the success of such similar ventures. It is very simple from where are you going to get the power? As it is in Bombay we have power cuts. In some cities like Calcutta the power situation is really had How are you going to justify the diversion of power for a night game when you are asking industries and residential premises to cut down on their consumption?

Also, if you stage such a match in a stadium, the towers will have to be at

more lights and more expenses Moreover, a stadium would be three times the size of the ground on which the present game was played"

"In Australia they are prepared to spend a great deal of money on the staging of such matches They have no problems relating to either finance or electric power There is plenty of both around because instant cricket is popular there Are we in a position to raise so much money?' Nadkarni queried

The officials of the Board of Control for Cricket in India feel that night games are not viable on the Indian cricket scene Mr S k Wankhede, the Board president said "Night cricket is not practical in India The first hurdle" is the high cost of the venture. One needs a lot of finance to stage such matches Where are we going to find that kind of money? As it is we do not have enough playgrounds for normal cricket and as such it would be extremely difficult getting grounds for night games

Professor Chandgadkar, the secret ary of the Board said. It would be very difficult for night cricket to survive. This kind of cricket will need big sponsorship and till this requirement is met night cricket cannot be a perminent feature. The real cricket enthusiasts will never accept night games. Spectators will always view these matches as gammicks. It the Board receives any requests from parties interested in staging night match es it will view the pros and cons minutely before making a decision

But the point remains that night cricket was introduced in Australia because the crowd were not coming to the day matches. Also: Australians wint exciting instint cricket. This is nor the problem in India In this area we till have a 55 000 strong crowd at any lest match, all of whom are prepared to sweat it out even if it is a draw. For most Indians a Test match is an outing It is the opium of the m 1556.5

Besides this limited over stuff hish treally caught on in India Coupled with this is the knowledge that our cricketers are not suited to this type of cricket. A former Test cricketer who did not want to be named said

This timasha of one day cricket and night cricket is killing the game. Look around the world and you will realise the damage it has done to most of the teams. The art of building an innings is simply lost to the present generation of cricketers. Our own experiences in Australia a tew months ago weren't 1 exactly pleasant Technique is the casualty at the expense of entertain ment in the process

All other things apart the biggest problem tacing the introduction of night cricket is the availability of electricity Till the power stations in crease their output one cannot visual ise witnessing floodlight matches under the skies and the stars with a

cup of tea in your hand

HARFSH MINWANI Rombay

ALL-INDIA OPEN KARATE

Mahesh excels

THE List Kvokushinku Kin Style Open Kir ite competition began ith elimination bouts which robbed the meet of ease it deal of flavour A number of specialors were bored by the proceedings a well. But the econd open meet held it Calcutt is St. Ih may school auditorium proded alamour and excitement be ite of toward and more exciting bouts the elimination had been curried out by the respective States). Thus the ears competition began at the last 16

The highlight of the competition is the apart from Cupicit's Sakeb Weldingwale it was Bengal all the is. The indicated that West Bengal till rule appendents seen representative of this State qualified for the quarter finds in this full confect meet. The lone out tation fighter Welding value however in maged to unvive till the emitted.

In the Letteright tage international a imuddin Sabu von a good bout or fellov international Presimpt



Siha Both were on equal term and used thrilling speed and technique. There was no decrion after the first round but the one minute extension aw Na inmidding displaying agree.

sivenes and aperior skill to emerke victoriou. Uttam Survion vele in bout over compatriot Arjun Privad Sahoo vihile Manor Kaptu fell to Welding will

But the bout bet seen Mahe h Bajaj and Shiviji Canguly at rather controver ral. Canguly ho had repreented India in the Tokyo Olympics comed to be the vetim of a rather transe deer ion.

A decrion reachilly taken on a number of count etechnique stamina etc) but most onlooker felt that cer tain fouls by Bajaj were overlooked

The emittinals say both Bajaj and Sa amuddin Sabir cle it winners over Urram Sur and Sakeb Weldingwild respectively. In the final however it was Bajaja who had medge over Sabir countering his moves, killfully to take the title.

After the the Limishiwar of Lipane eterm for breaking, we introduced giving the judience their money worth. The centre of after tion we Didi Bul use the black belt holder he has been pursuing the marrid at maliferent ve over the list twent ve its indiwho has now laid more emphisis on the Kyokushinkar style. He broke eight slabs of ice each weighing 65 lb with his forchead at lightning speed. The 40 year old karate exponent followed the up with another imazing feat a car going over his groin.

The demonstration by boy be tween 5 and 15 and a six and a half year old girl were appreciated by the public. A few who performed well with their trainer Shivan Cancul were Vimlesh. Wivin Saha, Lana Canguly Lalit Kumar Sharmar Sandeep Chadha and Sanjib Chatterjer.

A CORRESPONDENT Calcutta

A farce?

EVIN before kirate could get ats attoothold in the Indian sports aren it is already bedevilled by politics and inter karateka rivalry. This became evident during the recent karate Open Nationals Dadi Buls ir a cancelled the bottle breaking programme on grounds of farigue, but members of the opposite camp alleged that the bottle was in fact already cracked and the feat was in fact, a fairee They announced an open challengs to all Bulsara group karatekas but the

The reason behind this is reportedly, the rivalry between Bulsara and Amitava Dutta who wis earlier in the same camp. The differences arose when Datta questioned some of Bulsara practices.

latter did not take up the challenge

tioned some of Bulsara practices. He left Bulsara's group to form a separate organisation and when Dutt vanted to enter the all India competition, he was summarily shown the door Dutta's supporters angered by this, went up to the stage and challenged the organisers Ultimately, police came to Bulsara's rescue by despersing the de



monstrators

Wimbledon Scrapbook

JIMMY CONNORS: The stormy petrel of world tennis

66 I M a different person when I m on the court I m an inimal

Thus spake you guessed it no less a person than Jimes Scott Connors And when you consider the implications of that quote you understand why Americans are divided in their opinion on what to do with Connors

after he is dead. Halt of them want him buried in Arlington National Cemeters, while the other halt want him consigned to the Atlantic That in essence is The Great American Di



Connors has always been in the limelight, always a lurking danger of the tennis court. A lurking danger of the same of tennis at has pace. To him that would probably be the ultimate disgrace for he plays the game as if his life depends on it.

Few players had been seen to he the ball with such consistent power and ferocity as Connors, who attack at every single opportunity. There have been a single moment in his career when Connors has given up never a single match where he has thrown in the towel. He has alway been there at the end brash in victory glorious, and unbowed in defeat

Connots is a law unto himself an does not let anybody forget it Remen ber the opening ceremony of the 197 Wimbledon championships? Th tournament was to open with a parad of champions all of whom would b honoured with a special medal to coninemorate Britain's jubilee year There was pomp and ceremony as the parade got under way but it did no take the organisers long to realise that someone was missing That someon was in fact none other than Connor himself. He had not thought the cere mony important enough and had de cided to get in some extra practice of one of Wimbledon's outer courts H was fined, of course but that didn make the slightest difference to him Naturally

Nothing has ever made the slighted difference to Connors ever. The onlithing that is important to him is win ning and winning and winning. In sense though, Connors has mellowed somewhat Maybe it is because of himarriage. Maybe the tact that he nowhas a son. Maybe it is the pressure of trying to be a family man and professional tennis player at the same time. Yes, he has mellowed. But that doesn't mean that he is putting less of an effort into his tennis.

Oh no Mr Connors has lost none of the old motivation none of the fierce grace none of the determination to keep on winning It's all there as intense as ever before but the brash ness is going it is rubbing off

ONSIDER the facts. During his ∠1978 US Open semi final encoun ter against teenager John McEnroe, he won the first two sets at breakneck pace making the younger man look like a novice But McEnroe raced to a 5.1 lead in the third set and held a set point which Connors ultimately neut ralised Connors won the next two games and tought off tour more set points at 53, eventually breaking McEnroe's service to come back to 4 5 with his own service to follow At the changeover, even as McEnroe re mained seated, Connors took a gulp of water and gargled loudly, marching past his opponent and spitting accur

itely if McFnioe's feet

He won ultimately taking the set and a despondent McI nroe who Loked is if he had been in a car rick said. It's not fun. This is the i with time I ve played him and it's etting worse cach time. I didn't have ne on my volleys. I d come in and ill it is udden the ball was on me. In the their matches it seemed that I had ime to hit them where I wanted but to time I was just more or less trying react them back. I tried serving into him I fried serving wide I served and I served soft I give him spin I ive him that serves and he handled or thing pretty well. There was no line I could do

And of the same Jammy Connors pit witer it his opponent's feet citall view of the judience was a litterent person it Wimbledon list car. He had played sensational tennis the curly rounds and had literally sked capable of demolishing a mouncan single handed. Once ugain he to hed with McI nroe in an epic semitrial encounter and the match errorted the greatest number of spec-

to the it is single court

brilliant players brutally 1 ive both Americans both left 1 1 inder. The stage was set for a battle al McInroe won ultimately but mnor was lorious in defeat And it te stage during the game when fel moc, who was on his best be-Transport that your threw a funtrum connors retorted by signing. I ven my fittle hos a better behaved than you are. It seemed stringe indeed to hear t more distinguing a player for bad to ha tour when he himself had been is a fault on countle specialions in his n past

The velocity of shots off the steel 33.1 in 2000 ricket used by Jimmy oner wa once likened to Hemgivivil de cription of being under nullers fire. You see the flash, then in the crack and at list the shell A number of players were bucks that the matured at the same time is Connors Borg Vilas Geru atts and McIntoe These five ruled add tennis in a fishion that has car been heard of before Indeed ic thing that is very notice ible about to men on the procuedut is that there ery little to separate them. The prinked wom in would steamfoller, the fifteenth timked common but could the same ield true for the men' Probably not the fuse the level of competition is so titl that no one can be sure of his litone

YONNORS was the first man to win three US singles titles since Fred lirry in 1933-34-36 and the first meric in since Bill Tilden won seven mes (six in a row) in the Twenties He dso the first since Tilden to reach strught US Open finals

Connors rode to glory in a sense, on mother's shoulders Nicknamed imbo because he was overweight as a hild, the American was always accomranied to major tournaments by his | An unusual reaction to a doubtful line call

mother a strongly possessive woman named Gloria who handled his affairs with a strict eye. It was said on the circuit that if Connors took a girl to a movie he bought a ticket for his mother one row behind Yet, in a way, Gloria Connors always seemed to bring out the best in her son She scemed to inspire him to greater glory When he needed a point needed it desperately he would look around and catch a glimpse of his mother. She was



always there to nod in encouragement and her sheer presence seemed to give him new strength

Her dream was realised in 1974 when she and hundreds of others at Centre Court saw Jimmy Connors raise the gold cup given to the winner of the Wimbledon men's singles title high above his head Connors had never been in real trouble at any stage during the tournament and was hotly tipped to win the title. In the final he was pitted against the ageing Ken Rosewall back for another crack at the title that had always eluded him in his long and illustrious career. He crushed Rosewall in straight sets, one dream had been shattered and another realised

The following year Connors reached the final again this time against unfancied Arthur Ashe Ashe played strategic tennis if not brilliant tennis and outsmarted Connors in four sets. The next year 1976. Connors was beaten in straight sets by Roscoe Tanner 64 62 86 in the quarter finals and in 1977 was beaten by Borg in the final. In 1975 he reached the fin il once again only to be beaten decisively by the Swede, the scoreboard showing a 62 62 63 rout

That rout and Borg's sudden and startling domination of the tennis world eclipsed memories of Connors 1974 when he had won the Australian Wimbledon and US titles winning 99 out of 103 matches. After his scorching at the hands of Bork he announced only half in jest. I ll tollow him to the ends of the earth. Every tournament he enters. I'll be waiting. Every time he turns round he ll see my shadow across his. I'm going to dog him because I know that what we do in the next few years is going to be remem bered long after were both six feet underground My grandchildren are going to say Grandad used to play this old guy from Sweden and they re still

talking about it
And Connors does not spare him Christ I ve seen replays of that match and after two games I got sick. I was having six or seven shots a point that landed around the service line that I could have taken and gone to the net. It seemed like I was always retreating a little bit instead of moving forward and chipping the ball or com ing over and picking it out of the air and coming in to take the net away from him I saw that and I said 'This is ridiculous How could I let myself be so tentative? After that I played the whole summer very aggressive. I had it planned in my mind that I would rip every short ball and go to the net That's the way I should play like a crazy man "

He still plays it that way The image has changed somewhat. He is not as loutish as boorish as he was in the past. But aggressive he will always be

I must have come out of the womb arrogant and aggressive because I ve always walked the same was he says knowing Connors, he will always stay that way

Chess is an art

Vasily Smyslov is a well known Soviet chess player who recently celebrated his 60th birthday. He qualified for the Grandmaster rating in 1941 and has remained among the world's leading players ever since. His most outstanding achievement came in the world title match with Mikhail Botvinnik in 1957 whom he defeated 12595 to become the seventh world champion in chess history. YURY KAR ZHAVIN interviewed him on the eve of his 60th birthday.

YK Which players helped you gain a better picture of the beauty and profoundness of chess?

VS Tirst of all it was Alexander Alekhine through his book. My Best Games, the first work on chess which I received as a present. His game really helped a lot in moulding my outlook on chess but Alekhine was not my only idol. I ilso closely studied the games of Morphy Chigorin Steinitz Lasker Capablanca Tarrasch Rubin stein. Nimzowitch and other leading world figures in this game in order to fathom the secrets of their victories.

This familiarity with the world chess classics turned out to be excel lent schooling. These games showed that the chess pieces have a harmony of their own. I fforts to find it in one or other position have not always been successful but it is cle it to me that the very process of this search helps to understand chess better I became deeply interested in various positions on the chessboard and especially in the dynamic middle game with its abundance of combinational ideas However I never teared the koink over to the ending game being per tectly aware that in so called simple positions it is possible to find unexpected solutions. From my very first appearances in tournaments, back in the Thuries Lendcavoured to employ a versitile style to combine strategy and tictics in the most harmonious way It was this search for haimony that became the main thing for me in chess

YK Are there many players striving for this style?

VS With chess being so well developed today at as becoming harder and harder to achieve heights. It goes without saving that a player who feels contrident an any situation on the board enjoys a certain advantage. The creative means he possesses enables



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Karpov had to play in more complicated condition than Vasily Smyslov. Picture shows Karpov playing simultaneously against young chess players in the Leningrad Palace of Pioneers.

him to wage his campaign on the board in different ways. No wonder that world champions over the past de cade—Spassky Fischer Karpov—are players with a universal style of action.

YK How, in your opinion, has the nature of world title play changed since your three title matches with Botvinnik?

V5 There is a difference of course. Whereas in my matches with Botyin nik the tension arose from the very art of chess in those played in Revk javik and Baguio Spassky and Karpov respectively had to face very serious problems in the psychological sense. having nothing to do with chess. In deed Spassky and Karpov had to play in more complicated conditions than Botymnik and I did As for the creative aspect of these matches, there is hard ly invisense in drawing a parillel. The Spassky vs Lischer and Karpov vs Korchnor matches undeniably made an important contribution to chess theory just like I believe, the Smysolv vs Botvinnik matches

YK What do you think about the world title match in Merano?

VS There is always heightened interest in a repeat world title match because the contenders have a better knowledge of each other's strong and weak points. We all remember the grat interest of the chess world in the repeat title matches between Steinitz and Chigorin Alekhine and I uwe and Botynnik and I chi The same goes for the comme match in Merano.

YK What is chess for you—sport, science or an art?

VS As an intellectual contest chess is so many sided that it can evoke various opinions. Chess can be regarded as a sport and in individual components as something close to scientific cognition. For me personally chess has always been and remains an art. Playing an interesting game is just as important for me as winning a

point I fully understand Anderson's contemporaries who described his two most famous names as evergreen and immortal. Such games are justly regarded as masterpieces of art.

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AND WHITE

YK Is there any secret for your longevity in top chess competition?

VS There is no secret at all I simply retain till this day a keen sportise and creatise interest in chess performances. I am just as excited today as many years ago when I sit down to play As I said before, the search for harmony on the 64 black and white squares is endless.

these history knows of quite a few men with long circers. Lasker, for instance succeeded at the age of 67, in taking the third place in the gruelling Moscow international tournament in 1935. His commonsense and philosophical composure proved stronger than time. I had the good fortune of going along with my father a chess fan and watching Lasker play then I remember the amazing energy by put into each game.

YK Chess devotees are aware of the attention you give to the pupils of your chess clinic. What is your opinion of the younger generation of Soviet

chess players?

VS Many people regard 17 year old Garri Kasparov as a rising star sports writers have ranked the Baku Grandmaster as third in the Top Ten Players of the Year Kasparov has a brilliant chess memory, finds his bearings easily in the labyrinths of theory, and employs a bold and dynamic style on the board Meanwhile he shows preterence for tactical struggle his rare gift evidently, has not yet been revealed in full It is hard to say how his career will shape up later, but the prospects of becoming a world beater are very strong

As for the disciples attending my clinic I would like to single out Valery Salov of Leningrad, who today is the world champion among school going

children

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News round-up

Rise of karate in the USSA

CALCUTTA Karate is one of the newest disciplines introduced in the Soviet Union Although the National Karate Federation was set up only two years ago, regional and two national championships have already been held, the latest being the inaugural Soviet championships at Tashkent

The general secretary of the World Union of Karate Organisations (WUKO) Mr Luchi Eriguchi of Japan, said "I am really pleased with the growth of popularity of our sport. It has about 3 million followers in the world today WUKO incorporates 70 national federations, including 20 in Furope We would therefore, wish to see the Soviet Union in our ranks. I'm sure that the USSR will quickly emerge among the strongest Karate nations, because of sambo which is a sound foundation. I strongly believe that the sambo men will soon acquire skill in karate as they have done in judo " This statement was made in

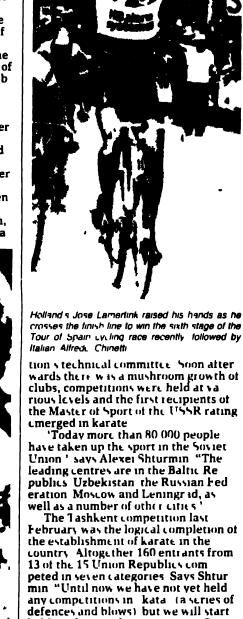
1978 when Mr Eriguchi visited the Soviet Union

Yet another Japanese, Mr Mayasu kı Hısataka, WUKO inspector method ist, commented "I'm simply stunned by what I've seen In such a short span your athletes have made excellent progress in karate Some of them can already be entered in major interna tional meets with good chances of winning If they continue at the pre sent rate they will certainly be in the top rung of the ladder

Although only a few people in the USSR were aware of the existence of karate about 20 25 years ago indi vidual enthusiasts began to foster the sport in the mid Sixties in a number of places, especially in the Baltic Repub lics, Uzbekistan, Moscow and

Leningrad "

The sudden popularity of karate among the Soviet youth and a number of clubs being set up along with the Central Karate School in Moscow led to a decision being passed by the **USSR Sports Committee in November** 1978 on the development of non contact karate in the country Inciden tally all this was made possible through the tireless Alexei Shturmin, who is on the National Karate Federa



well as a number of other cities The Tashkent competition last February was the logical completion of the establishment of karate in the country Altogether 160 entrants from 13 of the 15 Union Republics com peted in seven categories. Says Shtur min "Until now we have not yet held any competitions in kata (a series of defences and blows) but we will start holding them in the near future. Our plan is also to promote women's ka rate, but competition for them will be staged only within the limits of kata

Soviet karate is only a step away from the international field. In Shtur min sopinion Veniamin Pak and Djangir Shikhmuradov of Moscow Nikolai Yugai of Tashkent Vladimir Illarionov of Leningrad Kazimir Bart kevicius of Vilnius and a number of other Soviet karate performances are today capable of holding their own with the best of foreign opposition

ALEXANDER KLAZ



Britain 5 Steve Ovett (right) won the Nike Grand prix cross country race in Oslo recently Behind him is Norway's Jan Fjaerestad (centre) and Ocivind Dahl (left). Ovett outsprinted the two Norwegians in the last of the six laps

SPORTSNEWS IN PICTURES

Photographs by AP



The start of the 32 mile Lit bank American Youth Hostels, bike race which saw no less than 17 000 cyclists taking, part



John McEarne ha is the WcT trophy a Dalas after hading labable eik to take his second WCT title

Willie Young of A senal (second from right) is airborne as he volleys into the net to score Arsenai's first qual again (Asto - V II). Arsena, which is a report of the net to score Arsenai's first qual again (Asto - V II). Arsena which is a report of the net to score Arsenai's first qual again (Asto - V II).



Quiz

Ranjit Ghosr

QUESTIONS

- 1 Who was the Director of the first Asian Games in New Delhi?
- 2 Who was the first Hony secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India?
- 3 In the first innings of India's first ever cricket Test at Lord's in 1932 Nissar dismissed the English openers in his very second over Who were they?
- 4 Spanish football-clubs vie with each other in engaging foreign stars but there is one exception Mention the name
- 5 The celebrated Alfredo de Stefano won international caps for different countries (Argentina Colombia Spain) Only one other player has achieved this feat. Name him.
- 6 Where will the next Olympic Winter Games be held?
- 7 India is one of three countries which won only one medal—a gold medal in each case—at the Moscow Olympics Name the other two
- 8 Many consider a certain Muslim player to be India's greatest tennis star of all time Who?
- 9 Who became the first man to lower the 29 minute barrier for the 10 000 metres and when?
- 10 Besides Muhammad Ali four other world professional heavyweight boxing cham pions first won Olympic gold medals as amateurs Who are they?

ANSWERS

10 Floyd Patterson (1952 middleweight)
Joe Frazier (1964 heavyweight)
and Leon Spinks (1976 light)
and Leon Spinks (1976 light)

6 Serajevo (Yugoslavia) 7 Belgium Zimbabwe 8 Ghaus Mohammed 9 Emil Zalopek (on June 1 1954)

kia Spain) Kia Spain) Setalevo (Yugoslavia)

Missar 3)
4 Bilbao
5 Ladislav Kubala (Hungary Czechoslova

1 Anthony S de Mello 2 Anthony S de Mello 3 P Holmes (b Missar 6) and H Sutcliffe (b

Question box

Joseph D Souza Panaji

Q How was Graham Gouch of England dismissed on his debut in 1975?

ort itrali

A Graham Gooch was caught behind the wicket by Rodney Marsh off Jeff Thomson of Australia for zero on his debut in 1975

Q What were G Boycott's scores in the fifth Test against Australia in 1977?

A Geoff Boycott of England had made 39 and 25 not out in the fifth Test vs Australia at The Oval in 1977

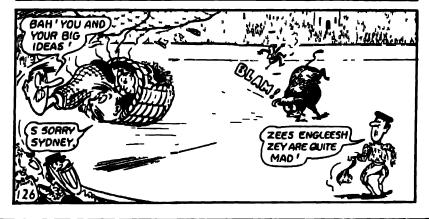
Amar Singh Samastipur

Q What were I V A Richard's scores in the Port of Spain Tests in 1977 against Pakis tan? How was he dismissed in each innings? A Richard made 4 and 30 in the second Test at Port of Spain against Pakietan in 1976









77 He was howled by Salsem Altal and Imran khan respectively. In the fourth Test at Port of Spain he made 4 and 33. First he was bowled by Imran khan and in the second he was stumped by Wasim Bari off Mushtaq Mohammad.

R Arvind Bangalore

Q Who has scored the maximum run in Ranji Trophy?

A Vijay Hazare of Baroda who aggregated 6 312 runs in 71 Ranji Trophy matches

Ardhendu Ghosh Chitta Ghosh Calcutta

Q Who are the balsmen who have scored over 7 000 and 6 000 runs so far?

A 8 032 by G S Sobers (West Indies) 7 624 by M C Cowdrey (England) 7 410 by G Boycott (England) 7 249 by W R Hammond (England) 6 996 by D G Bradman (Australia) 6 971 by L Hutton (England) 6 806 by K F Barrington (England) 6 227 by R B Kanhai (West Indies) 6 218 by S M Gavaskar (India) and 6 149 by R N Harvey (Australia)

Vinoy Kumar Jha Bhubhaneswar Sudhanshu Shekhar Jha Calculta

Q Who was the first Indian to score a century in Tests?

A Lala Amarnath in the first Test vs England at Bombay in 1943-31 when he made 178 in the second innings on hidicbut

S M Parvez Colgong

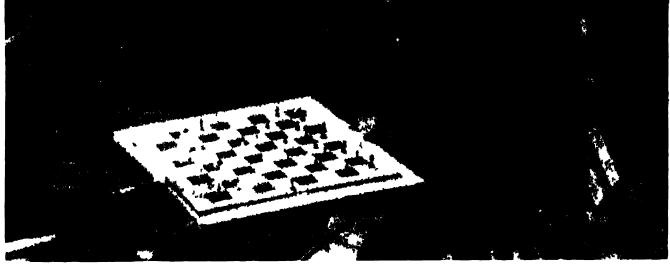
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A Wesley Hall who performed a hat trick against Paki tan at can in 1958 59

Uday S Rane Bombay

Q What are Englands highert and lowert scores against the orline the text Test playing countries?

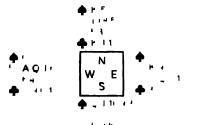
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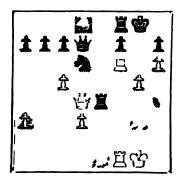
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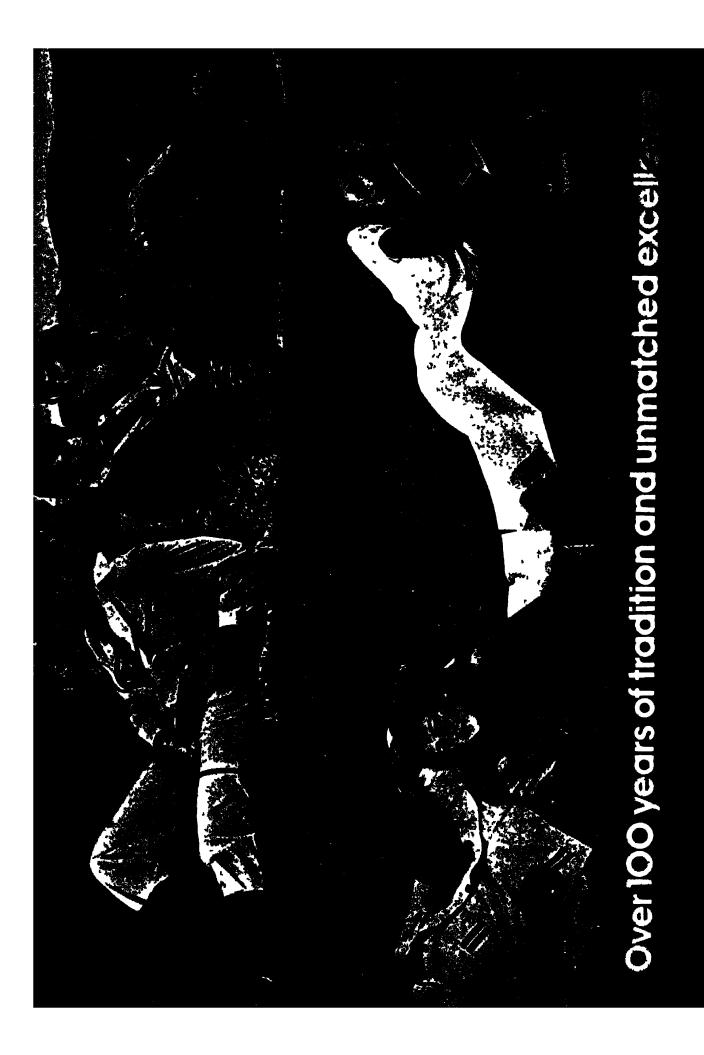
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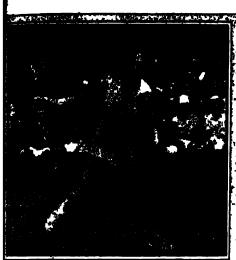






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AUSSIES COULD BE BETTER

Former Test cricketer the legendary RICHIE BE NAUD writing from Australia opines that the touring Australians may rue the absence of Greg Chappell



He has been on the fringe of greatness for some time catch ing the eye with his fleet footedness stamina and skill SARAJIT DEB profiles Narendra Gurung who is well on the way to fame



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Letters to the Editor

Violence on the field

IT is disgusting to read about and see the way modern football players concentrate on kicking the opponents more frequently than they kick the ball It is true that in the heat of the moment one's temper can be lost But the best way in which to conduct oneself is to abide by the referee's decisions and not kick rival plavers

This season, we have wit nessed many violent scenes on the football field First, in the Stafford Challenge Cup it was the Iraqi Youth Club followed by the Mohammedan Sporting and Fast Bengal players who needlessly indulged in schoolchildren like fights during and after the dis tribution of the prizes The main culprit for those out bursts was, undoubtedly Mohammedan Sporting's Tapan Das who hit East Ben gal's Sekharan on the field

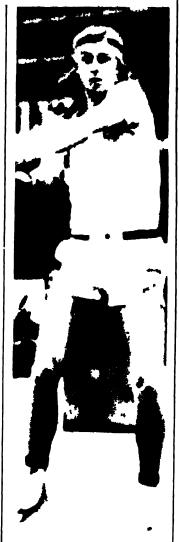
The same man tarnished his team's image further in Madray In the Federation Cup semi final between Mohammedan Sporting and BSF he unnecessarily hit a BSF player which resulted in a fist fight

Mohun Bagan players were also involved in an ugly incident against the Orkay Mills in the fifth Fed eration Cup But, it is gra tifying to note that the Mohun Bagan players are still the best behaved in the country, which they proved once again when they did not retaliate to the Orkay Mills players' fury Incidentally, the latter showed nas ty tempers on the day

The AIFF has been observing all this for a long time but has so far re mained silent It is high time the AIFF either took a concrete step to stop this nonsense or step down from governing Indian football These sparks on the field lead ultimately to violent scenes in the galleries and off the field

SANKARASUBRAMANIA

Bangalore



Borg is the greatest

HL statement made by ▲ Vijay Amritraj in vour April 15 issue that Borg was lucky to win Wimbledon is baseless How can you say that of a man who has won Wimbledon five times in a row' Besides, he has won the French Open five times, the Italian Open twice and the Volvo Masters Grand Prix Tennis Tournament twice in a row

Borg, undoubtedly, is the greatest tennis player ever, even though some former players like Jack Kramer, Don Budge and others con sider him inferior to them Even they have said that they could have thrashed Borg at Wumbledon if they had met him

What these critics do not

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realise is that no tennis player of the Seventies can be compared with the play ers of the Fifties or Sixties No tennis great can write off the Swede

The competition that Laver, Budge Kramer faced is very little when compared with the competition that Borg has to face And Borg has always come through with flying colours no mat ter how great his opponent

Some critics also say that McEnroe will soon become world No 1 by thrashing Borg I personally feel McEnroe can never reach Borg's height of greatness nor can he ever match Borg's ice cool tempera ment Some also complain that Borg is a very poor player on grass courts. How then has he won Wimbledon five times in a row and the Masters Grand Prix twice? Both these tournaments are played on grass courts

Not only Vijay but also some leading correspon dents of the world have repeatedly written Borg off just because he lost in some minor tournaments But Borg has always proved them wrong Borg's great ness goes beyond statistics and he is certainly the greatest tennis player of all time and will remain so even for another 100 years G SETHUR 1M 1N Madr is

CONGRATULATIONS for publishing the superb interview with Vijay Amritral It was undoubtedly your best work on tennis so far The blow up too was beautiful

However there was one slight error Vijav has never beaten Jimmy Connors at the U.S. Open though he defeated him at Forest Hills during WCT's Tournament of Champions in May last year

RAHUL JACOB Calcutta

THE blow up of Vijay Amritraj was superb and the interview with him was also worth reading Please publish the players' action blow ups only I would also like to thank you for resum ing the 'News in Pictures" item But what about the Editor's page, We all are missing your comments I hope we will not be dis appointed any further

SUSHAVAN BASU. Calcutta

An insane act

THE plan to hold the 1982 Asian Games in India is simply insane Think of the tigure of Rs 700 crores which is expected to be spent on Delhi Asiad A country like India should first improve her socio economic conditions and then think of holding the Asian Games

One more **leather**

THE article on P K THE article on a same seasons by Sarajit Deb made interesting reading In this regard I want to add one more feather to his achievement as a coach. It was Pradipda who helped St Anthony's School Shil long to win the coveted Subroto Cup for the first time in 1978 His selection as chief coach for the Indian football team for the Asiad is a welcome move. Let us hope that under his able guidance India will be thle to regain her lost glory. We wish him all the best

ROZARIO M SANGMA Meghal iv i

Not always human errors

MRG S N Mines 2... RGSN MALIER in your Aprill 22 issue pointed out that the mistakes made by the umpires are not de liberate but are human errors I agree with him in that umpires may make humanly errors. But does Mr Maller wint to say the umpires decisions against Gavaskar at Melhourne (1981) against Gavaskar and Chauhan at Lahore (1978), against Vishwanath at Melbourne (1981) for kım Hughes at Adelaide (1981) and for Allan Border at Melbourne (1981) were all human errors? And what's the harm of having | neutral umpires?

PRABAL GUHA Balııan

A poor side

T is wo derful that we Thave in Bangalore some one who can take upon him self the responsibility of selecting England & Test team for the ensuing Fing land Australia Test series Personally, I am only a very casual follower of cricket



Even then notwithstanding the tall talk by Kim Hughes and the bold assertions by Mr Deepak Goil I venture to say that the present Au stralian team (without Greg Chappell) is a poor side and is hardly capable of winning a Test series against any country perhaps with the solitary exception of Cana da And England in England is entirely a different proposition

H L ROY CHOWDHURY New Delhi

scorecards

N the past you used to Lgive detailed scoreboards of Test matches But during the recently concluded twin series against Austra lia and New Zealand these were completely missing We request you to restart the old practice which will be of great help to us

Also, we have been mis sing your editorials in many of the issues An iditorial makes a magazine present able and worthwhile So please try to include your editorial in every issue

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Patna neglected again

' AM shocked to hear that the three day match be tween East Jone and the touring English cricket te im will once again be held in Jamshedpur next winter and Patha once again has been overlooked for staging in international cricket match.

Patna being the capital of Bihar has more facilities wailable than Tamshedour It has good hotel accommodation a big stadium with a turf wicket and the city is very well-connected by rail and air with the rest of the country Matches against all foreign cricket teams allotted to Bihar have been held in Jamshed pur since 1936 and justice demands that the Bihar Cricket Association now looks beyond its headquar ters ind give the State cipital its due

Patn i

Disappointing

Withe badminton lovers were dis appointed and shocked that even a magazine of your stature did not care to pub lish the All I nel ind results fully We would very much like to know the names of the winners of the mins doubles, women's doubles and the mixed doubles events With the newspap ers remaining mum you should publish these re sults

> **GAUTAM GHOSH** Sodepur

The Sporting Life

Ben Templeton and Tom Forman

IN THE LONG RUN MASSAGE IS BEST

London The first London marathon was not without its funny side Former world 10 000 m record holder Dave Bedford for instance was deserted by his girl friend runner Miriam Rosen because he was too slow! And the prettiest bachelor girl in the race Scots lass Leslie Watson competing in her 48th marathon found herself in great demand Leslie a phy siotherapist ended up attending to runners with aching limbs!

POLICING THE POLICE

Cheshire Chief Constable George Fenn is in a dilemma. He has to decide if disciplinary action should be taken against both competing teams for violence on the soccer field. They were both police teams participating in the Chief Constable's Cup!

HAVING A THIN TIME OF IT

North Wales Mr Phil Turner (54) a former Everton footballer received ten replies when he advertised for work as a scarecrow He is no longer unemployed Former sports stars obviously have a thin time of it

CMON IN TO WIN

San Quentin Professional gambler will teach adults to win at blackjack for 40 per cent of their gross winnings read a classified advertisement. Unfortunately, those who answered the ad discovered that the gambler in question E. L. Earle is a convicted murderer serving a life sentence in quol

Quote Wojtek Fibak to his wife Eva after beating Jimmy Connors for the first time in his career in the quarter finals of the U S Pro Indoor Championships Now I can retire!

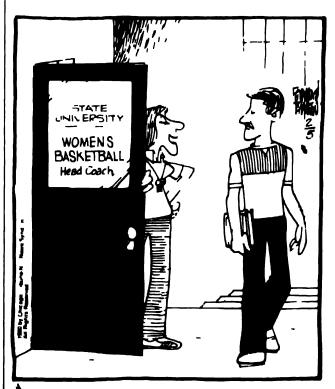
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Sportsworld Serial

Two great goalkeepers, two great finals

The concluding part of the serial celebrating the centenary year of the FA Cup

WO tormer members of the Maine Road playing staff no doubt took a wilk down memory lane as they watch ed the drawn FA Cup tinal on 9 May this year. Even as the 100th Cup Final ended in a draw. Sir Matt Bushs and Don Revic must have been lost in thought as they harked back to finals of long ago when they had moved swiftly across the hallowed turt of Wembley yearning to go home with a medal around their necks

In 1934 Bushy who functioned then as a shrewd winghalf helped mistermind Minchester City's list win over a team from southern lingland while in 1956. Don Revie as a deep lying centre forward, was chiefly instrumental in City's deteat of Birm ingham. And yet in both these games. the men in City's goal had played a pivotal role ensuring success for their ide igainst ill odds

Epic games, both of them. And epic performances is well by the custoGerman paratrooper Bert Trautmann who played the lead role

In Swift's case it almost went wrong, dreadfully wrong. An attack of nerves almost spelled misery for the young lad who was barely 20 at the time. Perhaps it was the crowd that unset him or maybe he was just over swed by the thought of playing in a Cup I mal The fact is he just wasn't able to do a thing right Swift had only a few first team games behind him when he trotted out on to the Wemb lex turn little realising how close he would brink his side to the brink of disaster. His knees wobbled visibly is he ficed up to the Portsmouth for wirds who made determined and frequent for ivs on his goalmouth. The first half was sheer misery for Switt normally the most geneal of charac ters. His forcheid creased with furrows as the opposition made his life miserable, but his worst moment of the match came when he let a simple shot from Rutherford spin away into one corner of the net. When the whistle went for hill time. Portsmouth were one goal up and looked as though they

dians. In 1934 it was the grant Irank Switt who had played the Game of his life while in 1956 it was former

Bert Trautmann pulls off the amazing save that resulted in a fractured neck

would establish mastery over their rivals Fans were laving odds in the stands and City's chances generally looked pretty dim

However even as Swift sat brooding in the corner of the dressing room at half time one of his team mates by the name of Tilson came up to him and put a friendly hand on his shoulders Tha' doesn't need to worry. Frank.

he said, 'I ll plonk two in next half But Swift was so overcome with grief that he could not even raise his head

Tilson a dangerous forward at the best of times and a lethal customer when the chips were down, showed that he was in deadly earnest. He certainly had all the trappings of high drama with thunder and lightning providing a splendid theatrical back ground To be sure, City had their fair share of luck when Allen, Port smouth's brilliant centre half was in jured

I ven as Allen was receiving treat ment off the field, Tilson showed that he meant business Fifteen minutes from the end he scored the equaliser for City Time began to tick away and it seemed that the game would go into extra time But that was not to be With three minutes remaining Tilson

banged home the Cup winner

The drama proved too much for
Switt who just fainted at the sound of the final whistle crumpling up into a he ip He was carried to the dressing room where his eyes eventually flick ered open and he asked "Have we

won

Irautmann on the other hand, howed no sign of nerves on that historic day in 1956 the day his name was to be etched in gold in the history of Wembley He was supremely confi dent during the pre game ceremonies ind waved to fins in the stadium as the City team jogged out into the sun

REVIE performed like a maestro that afternoon He was supreme, weaving past his rivals confidently He was instrumental in plotting Birming ham's downfall However, towards the end of the match it was Trautmann who had to play a stellar role Birming ham's Murphy scemed poised to score the equaliser but the gallant goal keeper took the full weight of his opponent's lunge diving at his feet and snatching the ball away

Trautmann rose shakily to clear the ball and grasped his neck with both hands Pain was written all over his features and his face was twisted in obvious agony throughout the remain ing portion of the game. But the pain did not dull his brilliance. Recalls Busby. Bert must have been heart breaking for marksmen. An opponent would take a tremendous swipe at the ball it would go like a bullet some thing like head high and he would with the utmost calm catch it in front of his tice as it i child had thrown a tennis ball to him

It was only after the match, when an Xray had been taken, that the injury was diagnosed as a fracture of the neck

The Argentines win their spurs

ASHIS RAY reports on the FA Cup final

THRFF years ago Tottenham Hots pur one of the more renowed clubs in English football were passing through an indifferent phase. They had little success to speak of were lacking individual brilliance and financially were also in dire straits. They however managed to raise seven hundred and fifty thousind pounds and in the nature of a slight gamble secured the services of Osyal do Ardies and Ricardo Villa-a duo partly credited for Argentina's triumph in the World Cup.

The move did not pay immediate dividends but on the night of May 14 these two supreme arti is with the aid of Glen Hoddle master minded Spurs to the F. A. Cup mantle. The initial clash five days earlier had ended 1. 1 even after thirty minutes of extra

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Moreover it was not an encounter in consonance with a hundredth final of a famous tournament. But in the replay both contestants cast aside the tensions to coin an unforgertable game of soccer.

It was fearless football attack at every opportunity, with the control of

the midfield accomplished by Spurs proving decisive The winners took the kad, but thereafter trailed 2-1 only to clinch the issue in the last quarter of the match, evidence of the topsy turve character of the tie adding in its wake to the delirium

The I A Cup is a veritable institution in the annals of tootball. No domestic club tournament anywhere in the world carries as much international appeal as this knockout competition in English soccer. From Australia to Argentina from Canada to China, the championship is as well known as a 'home' event And that despite England being outside the short list of super nations in football

In England the occasion is not merely one of the most important events in the annual sporting calendar, but a focal point of fervour and festivity and for a betting man also one of jitters. The reality of several second division sides ensnaring the honour—West Ham did it last year—is eloquent example of the uncertainty of the result.

The pressures that pervade, con verting outstanding players into un

functioning beings, is testimony to the dual challenge at work—mental and footballing The catalogue of the F A Cup is in some ways a chronicle on English soccer—its ups and downs, and the fluctuating fortunes of the various clubs

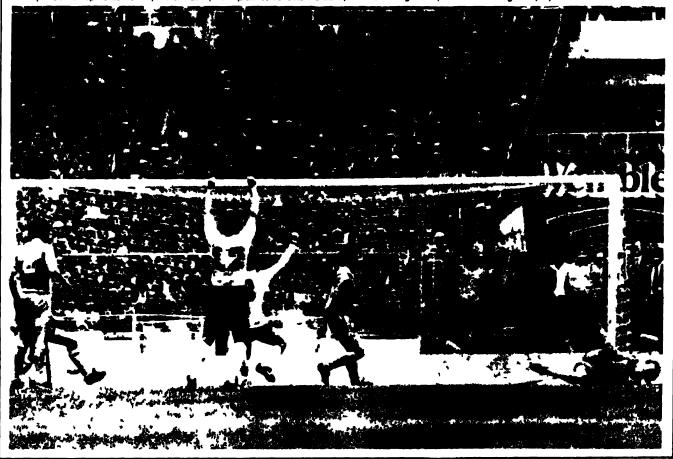
The first tournament took place in the season of 1871 72, with the final staged on March 16, 1872 won by Wanderers Club 1 0 over Royal Engineers Incidentally, this year's meeting was held at the Kennington Oval—more heard of as a cricketing venue and which, as lovers of the flannelled sport will know was the setting for the first ever Test match in this country in 1880

The unfolding of the two World Wars aftected the progress of the tourney in the years concerned—which made it the centennial final this time—but not the charm or the import ance of the battle And one of the factors contributing to the attraction has been the open ness of the issue, so much so that the team claiming the maximum haul of titles—Aston Villa—have lifted the Cup only seven times

The Cup fever in England begins as early as the middle of April, which is about the period when the semi finals are completed. And the intoxication manifests itself in many ways, including the spinning off of discs by the finalists for purchase and rendition at Wembley by their respective supporters.

This year, Spurs' composition was a

The equaliser for Spurs as Tommy Hutchinson (not in picture) deflects the ball past his own goalkeeper necessitating a replay



very meaningful "Ossie's Dream," and the dream came true

THE decider began with Hughton twice rescuing Tottenham through timely interceptions Nevertheless Spurs went ahead in the seventh mi nute with a move started by one Argentine and finished by the other Ardiles recred in from the left but his shot hit Archibald who however pro duced another which rebounded off Corrigan for Vila to slam in gleefully trom close

Three minutes later though MacK enzie met a ball headed square across the face of the Tottenham penalty area with a glorious right foot volley which gave Aleksic absolutely no chance Fquality attained City still very much against the run of play earned a penalty four minutes into the second half. Bennett piercing four defenders stationed in a straight line was palpably pushed by a desperate Miller Reeves given charge of the for mality mide no mistake

All of a sudden the mood had changed A win for City now looked a distinct possibility—a reward it would be for commitment and perseverence rather than adroitness or possession Indeed for a fleeting moment Spurs allowed the physical approach to upset them with even the otherwise icy cool Ardiles arguing with the referee when Gow committed a foul on him

But matters were soon brought under control and as 1 11d after raid swept the City defence Corrigan akin to the previous day was there to I had been lent that live saver by



Keith Birkenshaw manager of Tottenham Hotspur

nullity Totenham aspirations includ ing a shot by Hoddle which had goal written all over it but was tipped over the har

I ventually Hoddle tapped one for ward to Archibald who mistimed the kick so the coloured Gareth Crooks pounced on it to push it home

The charge of the white shirts continued and one got the illusion of the blue perseys of City's shrinking in numbers because of ubiquitous spurs In fact only five ininutes after they

Crooks, Villa snatched on to the ball just outside the City box dodged past Caton cut in to beat Ranson swerved the other way to defeat a second challenge from Caton to place it past an onrushing Corrigan—all on his own An incredible goal at so high a level of competition and what a way to set the seal on a F. A. Cup final

In the first game, this big, bearded Argentine had looked highly dis traught and dejected at being substr tuted in the second half But as Tot tenham manager Keith Burkinshaw explained 'Argentines are emotional people and they think you are not their triend when you do something like substituting them But I knew what he can do and showed that I believed in him by playing him in the replay. He was magic. An overjov**ed** Villa responded by saying "I have never scored a goal like that in my lite. In fact the performance had made him reconsider returning home at the end of this se ison

Finally it's worth recording that Burkinshaw endorsed a pertinent switch in tactics in the second tie in thrusting Villa into a role of a striker in between Crooks and Archibald, with Ardiles and Hoddle left to mar shall the midtield. It worked like a miracle However the felicitations for such an eventful and entertaining match must go as much to Manchester City as to Spurs for the underdogs respond in full measure to their foes' desire for victory—the burning zeal to keep it moving at all costs

Tommy Hutchinson looks up from the ground to see his diving header beat Tottenham Hotspur goalie Milija Aleksic to give Manchester City the lead in the 30th minute of the Cup Final which was ultimately replayed



Cover Story

Australia may miss Chappell and Pascoe

RICHIE BENAUD, distinguished former Test cricketer, gives his impressions on the coming England-Australia series

IT is rate for any Australian cricket team to go overseas with the tag 'One Man Band' ittached to it but on this occasion it must be said that it anything happens to Dennis Lillee on the tour Australias chances of winning the series are immeasurably reduced

As it is Kim Hughes team without Greg Chappell and Lennie Pascoe is well below the strength one would normally associate with an Australian side touring England. Yet the same sort of thing has been said about Australian teams since 1956.

When we toured South Africa in 1957 58 it was with the tag of being the weakest team ever to leave the Australian shores

When Fingland came to Australia in 1958 59 they were classed as having a team capable of beating the world and the Australians only a remote chance of being able to come up with even a drawn series.

When I took the team to England in 1961, again that tag weakest ever was attached to the side and even after we won the series by two Test matches to one, there were many English critics who still wanted to use the catch phrase

It was the same in 1964 with Bob Simpson's side Bill Lawry's side and certainly with Ian Chappell's team in

By the end of that series England had won at Lord's Massey—who is now only a statistic in the memory of many cricket followers—had established new record figures at Lord's and the Australians by winning the final Test match at The Oval had drawn the series

In 1975 there was no such tag attached to Ian Chappell's side for they had just torn to pieces the best of England's cricketers in the 1974.75 side in Australia, with Lillee and the relatively unknown before the start of the tour, Jeff Thomson doing all the damage.

In 1977 when World Series Cricket caused such drama and when Lillee wasn't with the team it was rightly described as a weaker side than normal and England won the series quite conclusively



Hughes turns a spinner to leg yet another stint as captain

At full strength, I haven't the slightest doubt that Australia would beat England in this series of six Test matches in the Old Country, but without Greg Chappell's batting and captaincy and without Pascoe's firepower at the opposite end, in harness with Lillee, things are that much more difficult

When looking at the strength and weakness of any team on tour I always like to put down the top eleven players whom I would ask to take part in a Test match tomorrow morning, and then add the other five on the right hand side as reserve players and immediately the strength or weakness of the side can be observed

In this case, I would anticipate the best team in batting order to be

John Dyson

Graeme Wood Martin Kent

Kım Hughes Allan Border

Graham Yallop Rodney Marsh Dennis Lillee

Raymond Bright

Rodney Hogg Geoff Lawson

The remaining five. Steve Rixon. the reserve wicket keeper, Dirk Wellham, the extra batsman, Trevor Chap

pell, Graeme Beard and Terry Alder man I would have as reserves, with Alderman lining up against Lawson Beard against Bright and Wellham and Chappell against Yallop, depend Jeff Thomson in action under the watchful eye of umpire. Dickle, Bird, Will the Aussies miss him?



Bob Willis the comeback king

ing on the form of the three players and the balance of the side required by the tour selectors for any particular match

The most experienced players in the team are Lillee and Marsh, neither of whom undertook the first part of the tour in the matches against Sri Lanka and after the way the games went, I doubt that anyone could blame them

I was most disappointed to read the quotes in Australian newspapers from the Sri Lankan cricket administrators



who said straight out that the pitch prepared for the four day match had been deliberately shorn of grass and rolled into a mudheap simply because the Australian visiting side had strength in their fast bowling attack

Any country that wants to gain Test status and has been agitating for it as seriously as Sri Lanka, must realise that the only way to become proficient Test players is to play on the best possible pitches rather than on surfaces prepared specifically for the home side or against a visiting side

Lillee, with his record of the greatest wicket taker in Australian Test match history, goes to England now chasing Lance Gibbs' figure of world wicket takers and there seems little doubt that before Marsh finishes his illustrious career he will have broken Alan knott's record behind the stumps—that, of course, assumes that the England selectors will not be bringing back Alan Knott to the Eng land side for this series of six Test matches

THE Australians' main problems on England pitches, even though the Test surfaces will be covered the summer, lie with the top part of the batting

Dyson and Wood are really the only openers in the side, even though Kent has been included as the third opener and will almost certainly bat at num ber three in the important matches

The former pair were with Bruce Laird, the opening batting trio with the Centenary Test tour made by the Australians in 1980 and if they can get away to a good start in the Test matches with the ball moving around in the air and off the seam, it will make an enormous difference to the chances of the side

Kent is a very good player who has been on the fringe of Test honours for some years and only in the last 18 months has managed to subdue some of his more flamboyant instincts and become a safer player against the new ball

This coincided with Greg Chappell putting him up to the top of the batting order in the Queensland Shef field Shield side and he appreciated it to the extent of making almost 1,000 runs in the past Australian summer

Personally, I would have preferred Hughes to come in at number three to take Greg Chappell's place in that spot on the basis that I always believe that the best player should go in at number three in the batting order, a policy that I pursued all the time I was captain by having Neil Harvey bat at number three against the pace bowlers in case there was any breakthrough against the openers

Border is a solid player and Indian spectators will have seen him in action and appreciate his talents, but the other left hander in the side Graham Yallop of Victoria, must count himself rather fortunate to be on tour in place of Doug Walters, who had an excellent season in both Sheffield Shield and Test matches against New Zealand and India

There will be a great deal of press ure on Yallop in the early games on the tour to hold his first team place at number six, because the youngster of the side Dirk Wellham, is a most



Greg Chappell and Rodney Marsh share a joke will the Aussies miss their former captain?

talented cricketer, not flashy or flam boyant, but an extremely solid player who I believe will be one of the best produced by Australia in the next few years of Test cricket

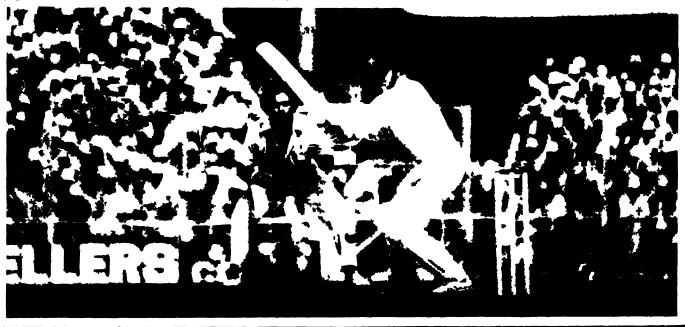
He is a very strong player on the on side, has a solid defence and in tense concentration and in some ways is a modern day edition of former Australian captain, Bob Simpson I'm not in any way saying that Wellham is going to be as good as Simpson who was a great player, but there are some characteristics in his batting that re mind one of Simpson, probably not so surprising when you consider that they both played for the same grade club in Sydney

Trevor Chappell is the utility play er on the tour and will be used, I should think, in the limited over fix tures So, too, will Graeme Beard—

both of them are excellent in the field Chappell is the finest fielder in Au stralia today and both can bowl adequate medium pace, a requirement of limited over cricket these days Chappell is the better batsman and both are whole hearted cricketers—there is no more determined player in the world than Trevor Chappell, who follows that line of grit laid down by elder brothers, Ian and Greg

Syed Kirmani gave some great displays in Australia behind the stumps during the Indian tour, but so, too, did Rodney Marsh and the Australians are lucky they have a capable understudy in Steve Rixon if anything happens to Marsh The hard hitting left hander has disappointed with some of his batting in recent times although he played brilliantly against New Zea land in the Test match in Perth last

Allan Border cuts an Indian spinner the Aussies will be relying heavily on him



summer and had some hard hitting efforts to his credit in limited-over fixtures during the season

There is quite a tail in that line up of eleven players, Lillee, Bright, Hogg and Lawson filling the last four, and even if Beard or Alderman were to come into the side, it would be unlikely to strengthen the bottom half of the batting which, to me, looks to be rather fragile

If that can be taken at face value, then it seems likely to me that the batting will not provide enough runs for the bowlers, twice in a Test match

to bowl out England

That is the secret of winning Test matches or indeed any cricket match and the runs just must be on the board to give Lillee plenty to play with when he sets out to make inroads into the England batting strength

NGLAND's tactics, I'm certain, will be to see off Lillee and then to make the best on their way home against Lawson Hogg, Bright and whichever other of the Australian bowling line up is included in the Test matches

Lawson is a useful bowler and hopefully by the end of the tour, he will have pushed his claims to join Dennis Lillee with Len Pascoe in the series against West Indies and Pakistan in the next Australian summer He is a tall lad, gets plenty of hounce out of the pitch and when he likes to let himself go, can be just about as quick as either Hogg or Pascoe both of whom were very sharp in pace on occasions in the past Australian season

Terry Alderman from Western Australia, a shock inclusion in the side is a big, strong fast medium bowler who will be quite useful in English conditions—he moves the ball off the seam and in the air But he may suffer a little on this tour, bowling on slow pitches with little bounce, for he has been brought up on the WACA ground Perth where the pace is quick and the bounce sometimes, can be very steep

If Lillee stays fit the pace bowling with himself, Hogg, Lawson and Alderman will be more than adequate and indeed could give the England batsmen something of a surprise

Lillee's fitness is the key, but once you get past that group and into the spin it seems the Australian selectors have taken one of the greatest gambles in the history of selection of touring teams Ray Bright and Graeme Beard are the only spinners in the side Bright has been there before but Beard has not played in a first class match in England and, at this moment there must be a question mark against his possible success rate, bearing in mind his inexperience

It is no easy task to move from Australian pitches where there is some bounce if you are bowling off spin or over the wrist spin, but Beard's greatest attribute will be his accuracy—he rarely strays off line-and it may well be that Hughes uses him in a 'tying down' role where Lillee will be



Wood The Kamikaze Kid has greatly matured

movement at all on the pitches in Barbados and Antigua, will suddenly be moving the ball alarmingly off the seam and in the air at Headingley or Edgbaston on a murky. July day

Edgbaston on a murky, July day
This is the first time an Australia
England series has been played over
six Test matches, and it is remarkable
how in Australia at the moment no one
is in the slightest interested in the fact
that the Ashes will be played for, but
are only interested in the way the
series might go

It is a quirk of cricketing nature that England, once having refused to put up the Ashes for battle, might now have talked the Australians into believing that mythical urn is of less importance than the actual result of

the series



The Australians leave the field after the first Test against India at Sydney From left Hogg Hughes Border Dyson (in helmet) Walters and Wood

the spearhead of the attack used in short spells with Rodney Hogg, and Beard will be there to keep things quiet until those bowlers are fit enough to come back on the scene

No tour of England is ever easy, but this Australian side will find more problems than most without those two top class performers, Chappell and Pascoe

THE England side have just come back from West Indies where, on the surface, they were beaten easily, but I believe in fact there were some good things that came out of that Caribbean tour as far as the England players were concerned

I expect to find them a very difficult proposition on their own pitches, and bowlers who could get no

The last time England played Australia, not for the Ashes in a three Test series in Australia, the Australians won three nil I doubt there will be any such result this time, but it should be a good contest between two teams with, not least of the intriguing points the captaincy battle between Ian Botham who has spent much of the last 12 months dodging the knives of his tritics, and Kim Hughes, who takes over from Greg Chappell in either a permanent or caretaker capacity

I'm looking forward to the summer Sometimes, when the standard of the players appears slightly below that of some of the great eras we finish up with some of the greatest cricket in

the history of the game



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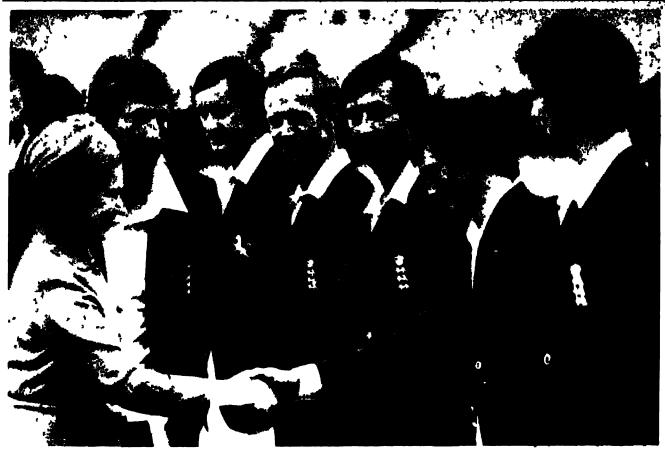
ASHIS RAY reports from London



NOTHING excites English cricket lovers more than a fight for the "Ashes" To them, as also to the Australians, this is the "real thing" as far as cricket is concerned. And, with the team under Kim Hughes already in this country, the stage is set for yet another of these exotic clashes

Quite a storm rocked Australia be fore and after the announcement of the touring party First of all, the selection of the squad had been pre ceaed by the withdrawal of Greg Chap pell and Len Pascoe, both vital components in the edifice of Australian for tunes in recent times. While the lat ter's decision was understandable since it was due to a knee injury, the blow inflicted by the "reigning" cap tain was at least for the Aussies, rather difficult to stomach

"The Age of Melbourne had very accurately speculated on this possibli ty as early as the first week of Febru ary—the team was named in the second week of March—at which stage Chappell had dismissed the story as being nonsense The daily concerned being a Rupert Murdoch (Ker ry Packer's arch rival and the new owner of The Times and the Sunday Times of London) publication and the reporter known to toe an anti WSC line even after the dissolution of that body most people tended to write off the article as nothing more than an extension of the cross fire between Australia's two media tycoons. But the reasons outlined for the then impend ing retreat—quoted from a close triend of Chappell -turned out to be exactly the same as later revealed by the skipper his business commitments ruling out an absence from the country for four months So Hughes the vice captain for the past year and a half and fresh from Western Australia's win in the Sheffield Shield became the beneficiary with Rodney Marsh agreeing to be his deputy—a post he had refused only a few months ago in the Western Australia side Another cause for commotion was the omission of Doug Watters and Jeff Thomson The veteran New South Wales bats man recalled to the Test side last winter had, in fact headed the batting averages for the six Tests played dur ing the season Indeed his improved technique failed to dissuade the selec tors from the conviction of his past indifferent record in England This, not surprisingly did not please the locals one bit the matter almost de veloping into a political issue. In the case of Thomson, the uproar was muted but the Queensland fast bowler could have the last laugh as turning out for Middlesex, he has frozen Coun ty batsmen into submission in a most impressive manner, and with former partner, Dennis Lillee openly deman ding "I'd like to see Thommo at the other end', any let up on the part of the newcomers could see the return of the experienced man and a re soldering of the once dreaded combination The Queenslander's personal view is that he is bowling "as fast as in 1974"



Summer 1980 Botham introduces Alan Knott to Queen Elizabeth. Others are (I to r) Tavare. Underwood. Woolmer. Willey. Will the livewire. wicketkeeper make a comeback?

Controversies aside, the Austra lians' display in Sri Lanka was im mensely disappointing Not merely did they lose a one day international, but were rather lucky to escape with a draw in the unofficial Test Un doubtedly, the Sri Lankans are no "lambs for the slaughter" and one could not expect total application from a side setting out on an exhausting trip to England But to make as much heavy weather of them as Hughes' team did, casts slight aspersions on their ability to tackle the assignment that lies ahead of them

Of course, dismissing an Australian unit is dangerous. On at least half a dozen occasions in the last hundred years have English critics been forced to eat their contempt when it came to forecasting on teams from Down Under, including 1947, when Don Bradman's boys trounced England 4.0 They had been labelled, funnily enough, as unfamiliar to English conditions since it was the first time an Australian party was visiting this country after the War

In the present instance, the visitors' fate is so crucially reliant on the success of Hughes and Lillee that an irregular showing by any one of them could spell disaster for the tourists None of the other batsmen are of proven calibre although Allan Border, Graeme Wood and Graham Yallop have a fair amount of runs behind them Significantly, one heard a lot about twenty two year old Dirk Wel

lham and Australians were referring to him as the "new Bradman"—one nostalgia that does men and women in the Antipodes little credit. It is however, safe to utter that the young man is a natural stroke player and certainly pregnant with possibilities. The less applauded Martin Kent seems a brighter prospect.

In the context of bowling, Rodney Hogg, with the encouragement of Hughes, could be a more effective bowler than in the case of Chappell The temperamental quickie from South Australia would fail to give of his best in the face of Chappell's piercing glance from first slip-part of the Packer anti Packer syndrome as some in Australia insist-and could regain his confidence with the less authoritative former schoolteacher to cope with But Lillee and Hogg, de spite constituting substantial strength, cannot handle the situation entirely on their own They need support and look in the direction of Geoff Lawson and Terry Alderman of Western Australia Lawson of New South Wales is genuine fast, but still a bit awry in line and length while Alderman has wisely given up the idea of frightening peo ple, which has infused his stuff with greater control. The spin department though, is woefully denuded of quality as Ray Bright and Graeme Beard are hardly brilliant in terms of slow bowling

What about England? Well, their batting definitely strikes one as being

on surer foo'ing, with Geoff Boycott, Graham Gooch, David Gower and Peter Willey collectively giving rise to a good deal of stability But the bowling leaves little scope for optimism Bob Willis and Chris Old both look spent forces, although the former bears an uncanny gift for comebacks The burden, therefore, descends on the shoulders of Iaii Botham, Graham Dilley and John Emburey with the last mentioned likely to trouble his opponents on slow turners (there could be plenty of such surfaces to blant the penetration of a gentleman called Lillee)

But, in respect to the home side, the captaincy aspect cannot be ignored Will Botham continue at the helm? Will Keith Fletcher or Roger Knight be the new choice? Or will Brearley be recalled as is being suggested in some quarters?

Brearley's ebullience is unquestioned, but there are several imponderables to be taken into account, including Botham's court proceedings and his predecessor's availability infuture before a final verdict is reached

In sum total, then, an evenly matched contest is in the offing, and an affair that will embrace Sunday play in Test matches for the first time and also make it compulsory for bowling sides to send down a minimum of a hundred overs in a day Weather permitting, it could mean more positive outcomes

Tony Lewis's Column

If you are always measuring yourself against perfection you have to live with an awful lot of disappointment and discontent I am certain that it is not a sane way of going about your games

Golfers become irritable and whack their putters into the ground when they fail to make par Imagine going to the office and becoming distressed when you make the odd mistake do you throw your pen at the wall? It is

suicide stuff

Cricketers, I am happy to say, are tar more philosophical Perhaps they live with too much failure. They be come resigned and stoical when the bad strokes pile up or the ball refuses to land on a decent length, or every catch smashes into a stiff palm and pops out again Failure is the vulture on the shoulder. Cricketers allow him to teed off them if he must In that way they both manage to cohabit and madness is put off.

The only time that cricket truly becomes a cruel blood sport is when the public swoops in The English season began in such a frenzy Back came Botham's team from the West Indies and out came the armchair critics, all measuring up the two nil defeat in four Tests against perfection Even the Prudential Trophy hand out, advertising the three one day Tests against Australia which they sponsor began— After a disastrous tour of the West Indies England's cricket team hope for better times against Australia this summer. How unfair can you get? What was disastrous about the tour?

Let me tell you some of the indig nant questions being asked and I will also add my answers

Why did the England batting al ways collapse? It did not In fact the maturing of the English batting was the most pleasing advance on the tour

Graham Gooch's century in Bridge town was one of the most brilliant innings I have seen especially when you consider the might of the opposi tion, Holding, Croft, Roberts and Gar ner Boycott's century in Antigua and Peter Willey 5 Gower's big hundred in Jamaica—all these were break throughs of confidence and talent Far from being disastrous, this was the first positive indication, since lan Botham's century against a full Austra lian side in the Melbourne Test of 1980, that a certain batting strength is forming Yet, even so the critics were moaning that Athey was not an Eng land number 3 ' Just think", they said Edrich Cowdrey Dexter, it's their place he has inherited "

Poor Athey, poor Roland Butcher and poor Mike Gatting Yes, I agree that none of them made the grade, but it is a savage pastime to compare them with the greats

Of the wicket-keepers it was said that neither Bairstow nor Downton is fit to lace Godfrey Evans' boots Yes, it's the golden inheritance again. How can young players live with it? What the tour did sort out was the important evidence that Downton is a better keeper than Bairstow and that neither is probably the best man for the job at the moment. Yet the other contestants are mostly young players such as Bras sington of Gloucestershire, French of Notts and Richards of Surrey, and so the West Indies tour was an important stage in the sifting of talent.



By the time England finish the present series with Australia and select their side for India, the batting and wicket keeping line up could read—Boycott, Gooch Amiss, Gower Willey Botham and Richards It would only require an outstanding season by Woolmer too, to see him back That is not a bad nucleus

The West Indies proved, among the bowlers, the high quality of Emburey His action is high and classical. He proved that he could bowl economical ly to Viv Richards, for instance, while the batsman was smashing his 182 not out, all over Bridgetown Graham Dil lev is genuinely fast, but in need of control and also of support from the other end. If Willis is repaired and Hendrick fit then this would be a temporary solution. Otherwise the Indian batsmen will be looking forward to their Test match innings.

The hope is that Underwood, after a winter's rest, will be eager to play

again at the top level

Why should Botham be captain? Has the captaincy affected his play? "He is not fit to step into the shoes of Peter May," so they yelled "May had discipline and control" Yes May also

had Tyson, Trueman, Statham, Lock and Laker, and some great batsmen as well Poor Botham found himself with a pea shooter attack taking on the biggest guns in the world

Of course the captaincy affected his play Whose has it not? Peter May himself who was held up as the perfection against which all England captains are judged, returned ill from the West Indies in 1959 60, admitting that the pressures had got to his health and recommended that six years was enough for any captain to do the job Ian Chappell has also recommended a short reign for Test captains, five or six years

When Botham was made England captain there was nothing in his back ground to suggest he could cope. He was 24 years old, he had little formal education, leaving school at the age of 16, he was not even captain of his county. Of course he struggled But was that his fault? Did he deserve the pillory when he came back? Blame the selectors by all means, who gave him the job far too early in his career, but have mercy on him.

Botham is a fine cricketer natural and instinctive. He captains his side in that manner. It may not suit everyone but he is having to learn the job while in office. That is enoimously difficult under the sharp eye of the media. However, the whole policy of blooding him will be wasted if he does not continue now. His form will return, talent does not disappear so completely.

So, you gather I am prepared for an English summer of promise and im provement with just the one reservation and that does involve Ian Botham

The gentlemanly conduct of his private life has been called into question on more than one occasion. He has won for himself the reputation of an angry young man who is not too wor ried about defending himself physically if the occasion arises. It has landed him in Grimsby Crown Court defending his plead of not guilty to a charge of assault, directed against him and a friend of his, by a sailor who was 'roughed up' in some dark alley on some black night

In Ian Botham's year of captaincy of England, this was the one instance where his performance had to be judged by the examples of all those who had carried the office before him None of them perfect, but high jinks are one thing, thuggery another

The English cricket world hopes that he is as innocent as he protests If he is, then he can play with peace of mind and that should bring back his form and send the vulture public back to the rooftops

Graham Dilley: The Dartford diamondsetter

BRIAN SCOVELL

CRAHAM DILLEY is one of a large number of first class. English cricketers whose fathers are good club cricketers. David Gower Ian Botham, Mike Brearley Derek Underwood Paul Parker they re all successful sons of cricketers.

It's perpetuating sport 'My earliest memories are of going to watch my tather play on Dartford Heath " said Dilley 'That's where I started We used to go every weekend'

There are two types of sporting fathers those who take over and run the boy's life like some kind of Svengali, and those who let the youngster develop through his own enthusiasm Geoff Dilley falls firmly into the second category

Colin Page the Kent manager said He really is a super father He's never tried to interfere or push his son You know what some fathers can be like He's just let Graham's career take its course and it couldn't have worked out better"

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The over possessive father will write in to the nearest club on his son's behalf With the Dilley family, it was Graham himself who made the vital move The story of how he knocked on the window of Page's car at a match at Dartford and said "Excuse me, how do you become a Kent cricketer?" has been well documented

Page told him to report to the nets at Chatham the following Saturday morning He turned up on his own "I was more of a batsman than a bowler in those days", Dilley said 'My father was quite a reasonably quick bowler when he was younger He still bowls but he's slower these days. I played tor Kent Schools and used to come on first change bowling medium pace. I didn't have the confidence in those days to let it go. That all changed the day I played against a Dutch side for the Under 16s. I took six for 19 at Catford Cricket Club and that seemed to give me the confidence. I needed

Atter he left Dartford West Secondary School where he achieved a modest record of three 'O levels he worked as a diamond setter for a firm in Hatton Garden. It meant I had to get up at 6 30 in the morning and I wasn't home until after 7 at night. he said. They gave me the sack after I took some time off to play for kent Second VI and they said I detailed to make up the time.

He quickly found another job with a similar company but by this time—he was sixteen—he was spending more and more time at the Kent nets bowling to the senior players. A year later he decided to forsake the diamond industry and accept Page's offer to play for the county on a match basis.

At the age of eighteen he was

taken on the staff full-time and the same season, 1977, made his first team debut against Cambridge University It was not a particularly memorable debut—0 for 23 in six overs and scores of 16 and 15

"I wasn't too strong physically so I started a job with my uncle's partitioning firm, which meant a lot of heavy work," he said "I've done it two winters now and it's toughened me up a lot "

Last season he started as understudy to Kevin Jarvis but when Jarvis fell off a bicycle and injured a knee he found himself opening the bowling regularly. He finished with 57 wickets second to Derek Underwood. He reeled off the number of overs and then apologised for appearing to be too figure constious.

By the end of the season he was tremely fired and he blamed that for the deterioration in his action which led to some experts doubting whether he had the necessary mechanics to become a really outstanding bowler

'Peter Wight the umpire pointed it

'Peter Wight the umpire pointed it out to me at Edghaston he recalled 'He said my left foot was splaying out and I should aim to put it down straighter I was falling away as I delivered He took me in the indoor nets and showed me what I should be doing

He is grateful to the other kent players for their advice and encouragement and sees the tour of Australia as a chance to continue his education as a fast bowler. He accepts that he won't be there as a front line bowler.

"I'd been reading my name in the papers but I didn't expect the selectors would pick me he said 'I couldn't sleep the night before the squad was announced worrying about whether I'd be in '

If he hadn t made the party he would still have gone abroad He was wanted by a club called The Pirates in Johannesburg the club Surrey's Hugh Wilson played for last winter Wilson his rival for a place in Australia, is a friend They re the same age twenty, about the same pace and have the same ambitions

Dilley sidol is Dennis Lillee and he thinks he must be the greatest fast bowler there's ever been. He saw him once at The Oval and relishes the chance to talk to him in the weeks ahead. 'He's got so much control," he said. He charges up to the wicket but he sa thinking bowler."

But what about Lillee's nastier side? Well the Aussies are a bit like that aren't they? he said Dilley sees the stip as a watching and learning trip as there are so many good fast bowlers in the opposing teams Page feels the chance may have come rather early in is career. After all, he's only had one full season of first class cricket. But he's a mature lad and he ll benefit from it. I'm sure, said Page.

Courtesy Wisden Cricket Monthly





Wimbledon Scrapbook

Martina Navratilova : zen of Centre Cou

WHEN she first burst on the international tennis scene, there were not many who could pronounce her surname Reporters assigned to cover matches could never quite remember how to spell it Colleagues on the professional circuit evaded the issue by introducing her to their friends as simply "Martina"

Critics soon realised that the Czech garl was not just another run-of themill player She slowly but surely began making a name for herself, even though she couldn't really make her self understood very well in English But even in this respect, she proved that her determination could over come any problems She struggled

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Chris Evert, Martina's closest friend on the circuit

Her determination manifested it self in everything she did on court as well She chased balls that seemed far beyond her reach, she fought for points even when her opponents had her pinned down If she thought a lutesman had made a mustake over a certain line call, she told him so in no uncertain terms Sometimes she took on the umpires as well This earned her the label of a rebel but she was never really in the same category as Jimmy Connors, whom, she admits, is

in a class of his own

But her greatest problem was not the search for success It was not a lack of friends It was not even a shortage of talent It was just that she faced something of an identity crisis Her parents and family were in Czechoslo vakıa, but she felt that there was never any loyalty to the country of her buth Then came the news that Marti na had defected It was big news, played up by the media in the United States, the country Martina sought to make her new home She knew the risks, she had weighed the outcome carefully and had decided that the chance was worth taking She defected alone Her parents, grandmother and stepsister remained on in Czechoslova kia but Martina was sure she was doing the right thing

TO many, the defection seemed like L an impetuous act, borne of impati ence caused by a stifling system Would she live to regret her action? If she regrets it today, she certainly does not show it She seems happy enough that she has been granted her citizenship by the United States Gov ernment, the only regret being that her parents and family have still not been able to join her

Recently her grandmother made a trip to the States to spend a holiday with Martina and the 84 year old lady was so overcome by the thought of being in a foreign land that she found it difficult to speak above a whisper for the first few hours Texas wel comed Andela Subertova with open arms while friends and acquaintances turned Martina's North Dallas home into something of a flerist's shop

And when grandmother made her first appearance on Martina's arm at the Moody Coliseum, she was greeted with a standing ovation People flock ed around her, shook her hand, hugged her and even asked for her autograph, which she scribbled with a smile She was introduced to Chris Evert and Martina deadpanned "She says she's going to brag when she gets home that she met Chris

FEW minutes after Martina had Astunned the tennis world—or part of it, at least—by winning the Wimble don women's singles crown in 1978, she and Chris Evert waited for the Duchess of Kent to come down from the Royal Box to present the trophies. Evert, the runner-up, asked her "I creed when I first was Wimbledon

not showing it

Throughout her life, she admits, she has had free-flowing tear ducts. "I cry when I'm mad, when I'm frustrated, when I'm happy or sad " In 1977, she wept coprously when she was beaten at Wimbledon and again at Forest Hills. She walked off the court with tears streaming down her face, not afraid to hide her emotions and yet at the same time ashamed of the fact that strangers should see her lose control of herself

"I've wanted to win Wimbledon since I was seven years old, when I first saw it on TV," Martina told reporters after she beat Evert in the 1978 Wimbledon final But even at such a moment she could not resist one final coment "Deep down I will always be a Czech Drobny was a Czech"

Before the tournament began that year, the bookies gave odds of 6 4 on Evert and 3 1 on Martina The American girl headed the computer rankings, but her Czech colleague had the best record of the current year Besides, Martina had won the title at Eastbourne the week before Wimble don Evert seemed poised on the brink of victory but Martina literally came from behind, playing gutsy tennis and swept Evert aside, saying later "Chris doesn't like to lose two tournaments in a row"

Not that Martina had it all her way in the tournament at Queen's Club She got into trouble against Barbara Jordan, then the US 21 and under hardcourt champ, in the third round "I was lucky to get out of that match," she said "I kept chickening out in stead of hitting that ball I knew is couldn't beat Tracy Austin playing that way If you hit the ball and move backwards, she'll kill you"

RIENDS like to point out that Martina faced yet another crisis even before she stepped on the court for her semi final encounter against Evonne Goolagong The official referee, Fred Hoyles, demanded to see Martina's outfits to ensure that they were predominantly white according to the Wimbledon rules He took one look at Martina's "lucky" dress and immediately shook his head, although she had already worn it twice in the tournament. It was a simple pin striped, close fitting garment with an enormous collar that had been specially made for her by Teddy Tinling, the famous designer. The dress itself is a replica, really. The original had been ruined by fans' cigarette marks and so Tinling had slaved to find the same material, ultimately surprising Martina with a copy.

She had never lost in the dress and was so upset by Hoyles' directive that she burst into tears in the locker room But Billie Jean King came to the rescue She asked what was the matter and, between sobs, Martina told her King, who was at the time Martina's doubles partner and who had always been the younger girl's heroine,



Martine holds the Wimbledon ladies singles trophy aloft in 1978

stormed off to talk to Hoyles, who mumbled an apology and said that he had actually been referring to another dress Martina played in the offending dress and won, although Goolagong played out the match with an injured last

After the match, one of the reporters at the Press conference asked what Martina would be wearing in the final Martina fixed him with a piercing stare and then, with just a hint of a smile on her face, she replied "Absolutely nothing And I promise you it will be predominantly white"

SHE played Evert in the final and critics believe that the fact that the two are such good friends was re sponsible for the kind of tennis Martina played that day At one set all, Martina led by two games to one in the

final, but Evert began to pull winners out as if from nowhere. She won the next four games to go 4 2 up and when she was 5 4 it looked as if she had the match sewn up. But Martina fought like someone possessed, playing near perfect tennis and Evert won only one more point in the next three games. At the end, the two of them threw their arms around each other and Martina's Centre Court tears were tears of happiness.

"On court," she said, "things happen between me and Chris that couldn't happen between me and Virginia or Billie Jean or Evonne We're honest with each other and wouldn't take anything away from each other We have so much respect for each other I'd rather lose to Chris than to anyone else, so I feel less pressure against her But I don't want to lose '





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IARENDRA GURUNG: THE FUN-KID WHO MADE IT

The person who is responsible for the success. of Narendra Gurung, finds SARAJIT DEB, was his father—who never played the game in his life

FROM the time a boy decides to be a footballer, he thinks of three things-representing the coun try, captaining the side and, if he happens to be an Indian, of being honoured with the Arjuna Award I've just taken the first step But if you ask me what my present ambition is, I'll say it's to represent my country in the 1982 Asian Games I'm even optimistic enough to think that we are capable of winning the championship, provided we work hard and determination and fighting spirit is inculcated by us" That's Narendra Gurung, one of the few players (and people) in the coun try who think we are capable of win ning the gold in football in the 1982 Asiad

Madras, he was adjudged the best player of the tournament And quite rightly so But this award is not new to him He had won it in 1979, playing for the same BSF in the Darjeeling Gold Cup On both occasions his side did not win the trophy, but his performance was good enough for the judges

To get to the roots of his career, one has to travel back to Fourth Assam Rifle (Army Area), Family Line in Imphal, Manipur on January 1, 1956, when this Gorkha boy was born to Bhagirathi Gurung He joined the FAR second High School and after Matri culation in 1972 studied at Dhamna manjuri College in Imphal and gradu ated with political science in 1976

From his schooldays he had re Playing for the Border Security | ceived all the encouragement he Force in the fifth Federation Cup at | needed from his father, "though he

could not even kick a football," Narei dra recollected "He believed that sti dies and games should continu together He never stopped me from going to play, provided I did not ski my studies Even before or durin examinations, he did not stop me from playing Though I was not very good a studies, I never betrayed the trust h had in me and have never failed in an class "

Narendra started playing seriou football in 1970 when, along with som other local boys, he formed the firs Nepali Club—Manipur Gorkha Sporing Union Within two years, these boys got themselves promoted to the senior class Since 1972, till he let (1976), the club always figured amon. the best four in Manipur While hi side got promoted to the senior class i 1972, he was selected for the Subrot Cup for his school But he could no make it, "as I had already joined college." The year ended all the mon significantly when he was included in the Manipur State XI to participate ii the Rovers Cup That was his firs football experience outside his home State

Though Narendra was in the square for the Nationals (for Manipur) ii 1973, he could not make it to the regular team However, from 1974, he never looked back He represented Manipur till 1976 before DIG (Man ipur) Gafoor of the BSF asked him to join the Border Security Force as i sub inspector. He performed credit ably in the inter frontier meet (repre senting the combined Assam Manipu side) and was selected for the centra team Juliundur, but could not play 11 the Calcutta Nationals, because the inter State transfer period was over by





then

Narendra has been a regular member of the Punjab side since 1978 and considers his performance against Karnataka in the semi finals of the 1979 championship at Coimbatore, as the best so far in the Santosh Trophy, competition

"There is a difference when you play for a small State and a big one When I used to play for Manipur, we were usually drawn along with a very strong side, like Bengal We used to spend sleepless nights just thinking that we would be humiliated But when I started representing Punjab I played with a lot of confidence," Narendra said

His international experience is limited to just two trips abroad. Though he was called to the 1978 Asian Games camp he was not selected. That did not however, stop the Gorkha from playing even better football and ultimately got the nod for the goodwill tour of UAF and Bahrain where he touched peak form against the Bahrain national team and it was from his pass that Shabbir Ali scored a goal. He was that Shabbir Ali scored a goal. He was also a regular in the 1980 pre Olympics side, but he was not satisfied with his performance at Singapore.

There are always a tew persons who help the young bud to nourish into a beautiful flower Narendra is not one to forget those who helped him be come what he is today 'Though I used to love dribbling from my very child hood. I learnt a great deal from Somray Gurung There were also Balaram Gurung (a good shooter) and I okbaha dur Thapa all in Manipur who taught me a lot These players were very talented and I m sure they would have represented the country if they had played for big clubs where talent is really noticed. All the senior players of the Manipur Gorkha Sporting Union encouraged me When I joined BSF I came under Arjan Singh who helped me give expression to my talent. He knew how to coach—which is the most important thing—and could extract the maximum out of each player Nand Kishore who is still in the BSF team also helped me. He is a player who understands the game of his colleagues This helps him to help others When I was in the Indian camp theoretically I learnt a lot from Basha Sihih He's a great theoretician and if a player really wants to study from this nice person he can learn a lot

Narendra agrees that he enjoys playing the most when the other players can understand his game like in the Indian and Punjab side But, at the same time he admits that his best comes out when he is playing for the BSF' After all in that team the whole responsibility lies on my shoul ders Though I face a lot of difficulties and sometimes feel frustrated seeing a good centre of mine not being properly utilised I play best under pressure But sometimes, it's very demoralising I'll give you an example You remember that first leg semi final in this year's Federation Cup If only we had



Narendra Gurung in action against Mafatlal in the Federation Cup final at Gauhati BSF won

a Md Akbar and Shyam Thapa in the side we'd have beaten Mohammedan Sporting convincingly. But that sanother story. In the Punjab side there are players like Manjit Singh, who can use both height and body weight to utilise the centres. Another very good player is Parminder Singh, who can be a very effective striker because he has a very powerful shots.

The best ball player of the country as Asiad coach P. K. Banerjee put it Narendra enjoys his game. I treat it as an entertainment and I really love playing You must have noticed one thing that I never play rough football, I hate it When other players try to play rough with me I do not retaliate I try to treat them in a different way altogether I try my best to dodge past them without letting them touch me In that way I take revenge Yes I do love playing to the galleries. That is because I enjoy my game. When the team is winning it also helps in killing time and when it is losing hopelessly and there's no chance of a tightback what is the harm in entertaining the crowd, he enquires innocently

The 25 year old star really loves to relax and enjoy humself when not playing or practising He is movie maniac 'In Calcutta a Rajesh Khanna movie was going on, but I could not manage the time to see it. I must see it somehow Narendra is that crazy ab out movies. Among his other hobbies are reading novels ('but nothing se rious"), singing and listening to Hindi songs 'The BSF boys are always afraid of me They never know from where and which side I will attack them They try to keep away from me because I tease them and play practic al jokes on them After all one is here for a short while one might as well enjoy himself-that's my principle Oh, ves another thing I love writing letters—sometimes it stretches to 15 a day I can never sit idle, something | must always be done " says the boyish looking Narendra

I ourth among five brothers and one sister Narendra admits he is more close to his mother. When we were young, our father used to be away for long periods and naturally we came even closer to our mother. But that does not mean I do not love my father. We are a very close knit family and incidentally. I was always and still am the favourite son of the family. That is something isn't it? he asks.

Narendra says he is impressed by Surajit Sengupta's dribbles Shvam Thapa's body movement and scoring ability and Inder Singh's greatness among the front liners In the vital linkman position he thinks Gautam Sarkar and Prasun Banerice are both very effective Among the stoppers it is Manoranian Bhattacharya and among the wing backs. Shvamal Banerjee In goal it may be surprising but I like Brahmanand best In this vear's Federation Cup three players impressed me most Ulaganathan in the final Harjinder Singh in the JCT East Bengal match and Samar Bhat tacharva in his consistent performance in the whole tournament

Narendra believes in the age old theory that practice makes perfect. He does his workouts regularly with the BSF team for four hours—two in the morning and two in the evening. He thinks that for a young player dediction is very important. And he should keep away from all vices.

This eligible Inspector of the BSF does not want to get tied down to home life (matriage) within the next two years and he is not even interested in thinking about the future. As he puts it 'Kal key i hoga kis ko pata, abhie zindagi ka le lo maza (a popular song which means. No one knows what is going to happen tomorrow one might as well enjoy life at present)

Don't pamper foreign footballers

CHUNI GOSWAMI, a legendary player in his own i time, hits out in an exclusive article

THE Last Bengal officials transcribing though it may seem are drifting away from the policie of the club This is not intended to be a criticism rather a series of suggetions on how to tackle the question of allowing toreign players to play soccer in Bengal I write of course about the subject of the three framians Majid Junshid and Khabizi—who hive donned the club's colours for the lit two |

Let us tice tiets l'ast Bengil de spite their howing in the recently concluded Lederation Cup in Madras are definitely a better ide thin Mohun Bagan. No doubt there are several occer tans- both from this I city and other centre who will diagree with me but I would like to in ike it clear at the out et that I am not taking sides

I write this piece merely i extootballer who has donned Indian colour and who has the future of the game at heart I would hate to ec Indian soccer to down the drain and I would like to emphasise that there is a very real danger of the happening it things are allowed to slip-

True there is a great parit et-Mohun Bagan a rivaley that some times get a little too inten e for comfort but I firmly believe that rival 13.1 necessary to provide good competition

The whole point of the article is to stress the need for better football. We in Indianced to achieve extent deal in the realm of international soccer. We have the basic requirement, but what we need is long range planning and a proper then our boys need to be encouraged from the word to. This mem, that we should curb the participation of forcign placer

It in up and coming young ladian tootballer want to make a name for himself he trie joining a big club But of the big club in question is known, in for foreign nationals in a big way be might feel insecure and move to another club where he know he will be treated well. It all boal down to one thing the club should create the opportunities for Indian boys, who will then make the most of those opportu-

Yes I ast Bengal is proud to have produced players of the calibre of I both Real Madrid and Barcelona two

Cutim Similesh Hibib Niveem and Sudhir. This is what club football i ill about it i about producing t placers who are capable of donning a Indian colours with distinction play ers who have a sense of duty to the country and who want to put every thing they have into improving the t indird of Indian soccer

Club toothall does not just mean winning trophies. Yes every club member and I in wants to see his team. merging victorious in tournament if ter tourn iment, but there is something. much deeper than that It is the clubs that throw up a dent for the national ide and this obviously mean that there can be nothing world than the stiffing deliberate or otherwise of local ral nr

It addensine to note that despite the procence of a many spirited gitted young men in the city List Beneal have over the last two years done little really to encourage them The presence of the three francins in the club side surely gives I ast Bengal added strength, but is it worth it v hon or consider how many of ar own bus are being kept out of the reckon in. The policy in a sense is stilling rivilize between I ist. Bengil and plocal talent to a certain degree and it 1. Citishtening pointer to what could happen if the other club, went in for imil ir recruitment policies in future

MI keneral tandard of football in I linder is invoice will tell you is poor. All the more reason, therefore, why we should strive to throw up more talent in the club. I do not say all this because I est Bengal failed to win the Tederation Cup. I say it because I genuinely feel that this is the case. To little more care. It Indian toothall is to a my mind at is not just mother case of hutting the table door after the hore has bolted. There is still time to put thing jusht

As for the Irimians, they couldn't care it he They do not want to associite their playing careers with those of local players. They couldn't care less about invthing just is long as they get plud for playing It is all pocket money for them. I'm not saving they are bad players. They are good there is no doubt about that But the pity of it is that they are being pampered and that is certainly not doing the club any good

List and ard in Example The club

of their leading clubs, have recruited foreign talent. The spirit of competition is very fierce, the spectators and club officials are all kept happy but what happens when it comes to the question of choosing a national side? The selectors have hardly insone to choose from, as both the premier clubs of the country have concentrated mainly on foreign players. The nation il tram therefore is a scrappy side Just how scrappy it is can be judged from the fact that Spain have never made their mark in the World Cup This only goes to prove the point that if leading clubs rely on outside talent it is the national side that suffers in the ultimate inalysis

That is a lesson we would do well to take note of Let it not be forgotten as well that an indifferent Khabazi can never replace a spirited Habib

The trend of encouraging fore igner in Cilcutta clubs is worrying me True Mohun Bak in have said that they will never open their doors to foreigners, but how long will they stick to that? Similarly any other Calcuttaclub— provided it can pay the price will resort to recruiting foreigners in order to gain a reputation. It can all snowball into a viciou circle which will only end by strangling the ambitions of our own player. That will be the time we hill have to wave good bye to any hopes of ever making it big. on the international soccer scene 1 m. not siving the will happen for ure but the first tep has already been

It all had its beginning lone ago. during the Second World Win Tommy Walker and Denis Compton wanted to play for Mohun Bagin but nothing ever came of it. Perhaps it was just as wen for Indian toothall that nothing

Lest I be mitakenly accured of taking an anti-foreigner stance. Let meis extitle it I im a turn believer in the truth that foreign players make for good competition. But there should be a limit to this It a club want, foreign players and can pay the price then by all means let them recruit foreigners but not to such an extent that prospective national stars are forced to sit on the sidelines. Therein lies the danger It is all a question of driwing a line somewhere Where you draw that line

The tragedy of it all is that this line of thinking might never dawn on people who have never played the game Non players might not agree with what I have said but at least I have been trank and I have not minced my words

No those who have never striven for honours on the turt will not agree That is because their positions of powet in the various clubs depend solely on the success of their respective sides. If the side in question wins, they are given a pat on the back but if their sides lose, they have to face the music So they will recruit anyone just to ensure that they do not lose and to hell with the problems of moulding a good national side

ASIAD FOOTBALL CAMP

Ideal conditions

The tussle between the State Armed Police and the Air Force Station at Barrackpore to host the second Asiad tootball preparatory camp perhaps left P K Banerjee and his colleagues little choice Ultimately it was decided to keep both units happy by conduc tion training sessions in each Of course the transport is arranged by SAP at a minimum cost. Thus the morning stint is held at the air base from 630 to 830 while the evening session is conducted 5 km away at the Lathagan police barracks. Both sets of authorities have shown great enthu siasm and have extended all possible help to those in charge of the camp Besides, air force and police footbal lers at both venues derive a great deal from watching the training sessions which they do with great interest

Both venues are perfect. Unlike the first camp held at Calcutta's Salt Lake where anyone could watch the Bar rackpore camp is well fortified. It is extremely difficult to get in no matter how impressive one's credentials are It seems the All India Football Ledera tion secretary. Mr Ashok Ghose really means business. He did the correct thing by requesting Air Vice Marshal P P Singh the chairman of the AIFF | Coaching Committee to provide a venue that is literally far from the madding crowd. The only snag is that the ground seemed rather underpre pared for training but the Air Force personnel have extended all conceiv able facilities to PK Aroon Ghosh (Basha Hakeem and Kittue had not) arrived when this correspondent visited the camp but they will have by the time this comes out in print) In fact Group Captain Chakraborty allowed the newly built airmen's hos tel to be christened by the Asiad probables and deputed three men to work round the clock to ensure that all runs smoothly Wonderful treatment certainly

It took the footballers some time to get used to the services system and the food of the airmen so it was ultimately scrapped. The food too, was not what they expected but the standard improved rapidly, and all separately. In addition, the doors of three recreation centres have been thrown open to them thanks to the initiative of Wing Commander. Dutta (administration). They have also been permitted to use the Air Force swimming pool.

The camp boys are unanimous in their opinion about the venue being ideally suited to training Such isolation, they agree, is conducive to greater concentration and therefore better results They are unanimous about the fact that the huge open space and a



Priyaranjan Dasmunshi speaking after Duncans had pledged to help the camps I nancially. Others are (from left) Mr R. Sengupta of Duncans. Jatin Chakravarty, PWD Minister. AIFF Secretary, Ashoke Ghosh and P. K. Bose.

vast expanse of greeners has a tremendous psychological bearing on the improvement of their game. It is also of great help when one considers that they are playing in extremely sultry conditions.

The camp begin on May 9 with only 15 out of the 21 trainees turning up Strange though it may seem one of them made the trip from Patna only after he read a news item in a local daily. The rest were expected to report within a couple of days. Yet another batch of 17 players including Shabbir All Devray Harjinder and others who were not included in the previous camp would also join shortly. What was very evident during the training session was that players failed to main tain any real tempo. And this despite the fact that the coaches take great pains to effect an improvement even going so far as to produce charts for every player in order to rectify certain defects. An enhanced sesce of awar ences on the part of the players would no doubt to a long way in ensuring better results. The players still need to shed a great deal of their amateurish instincts and take the game more sermustic

The selection of the junior set of players for the Barrackpore camp was carried out on the basis of their performances in the last two camps Although they are not in the top bracket it is obvious that they are the nucleus of Indian tootball Duncan Agro Industries have come forward with a grant of Rs 15 000 every month during the camps (the firm had granted Rs 50,000 for the Salt Lake camp) keep it up Duncans! It is fer vently hoped that others will follow their example It should be realised that the trainees need much more The sum of money they get per head from the government (now it is raised to Rs 25) is quite insufficient, with the net result that they undergo great hardship during training It is precise ly this situation that Duncans Agro Industries have sought to rectify

The players who impressed during the training were Jisu Pal (who repre sented the junior India side), Atanu Bhattacharya, Krishnendu De, Goa's Baburao and Railwiys Aloke Saha All of them a e in the 19 and below age bracket. With a constructive end in mind files are being kept on each player all of whom are also being graded. This obviously makes things easier when the problem of selection crops up. This allo means that the coaches have less players to concentrate on Naturally the ones they are interested in are those who have just come back from the Federation Cup.

PK can probably grade three different teams from among the probables at the drop of his hat And it is understood that the ultimate choice of the team for the King's Cup at Seoul South Korea next month will be made from among the 21 plus 17 (those who were later asked to join) players

The popular question is What is being done in the camp. At present specific emphasis is being made on health strength fitness speed and agility (in that order) to bring them to international level. In addition to the fact that our footballers lack the requisite modern techniques in our in ability to shoot is sorely felt. Also, there is not enough combative spirit in our players. All these have to be remedied Says PK. We are spending several crores of rupers on the Games and therefore we must work accordingly. We must try and prove that we are superior to other Asian countries We (the coaches) are ready to sacrifice ourselves for this cause. When other nations copy our technical and scien tific expertise why can't we do the same in sport?

Yes the coaches have pledged that they will go all out but there is one short coming the camp did not receive the services of either Tandon or Jag mohan singh both of whom are experts in physical training This, it may be added in spite of the AIFF's request. Their presence would have helped out greatly but Patiala in formed the Federation that both are

Judging by the way things are moving, a clear picture should have emerged by the end of this year as to the talent that has been thrown up

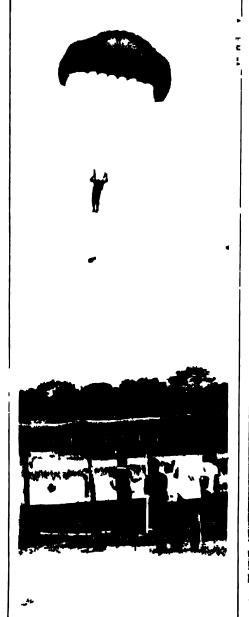
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The footballers who fell from the sky

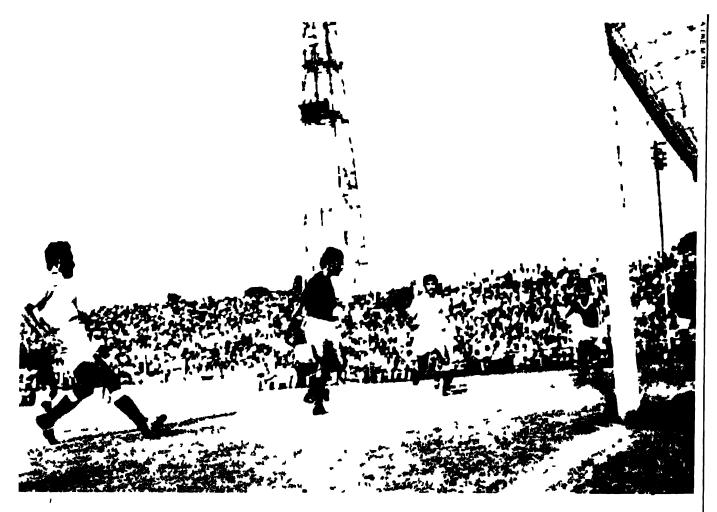
OPERATION Ninds Devi was the name of the game and the brain save turned out to be a success. The rare fair dished out to Calcuttans in the exhibition match between a paradropped army eleven and Federation Cup heroes. Mohun Bag in attracted a record crowd. Gate receipts amounted to a faint istic Rs. 2 lakhs for the forth coming army expedition to Nandi Devi

Although Mohun Bagin won by a solitary goal scored by right winger Mihir Bose after several futile attempts the result it ell wis inconsequential. The focal point of spectator interest was the air dropping of the army team from the Russian MT8 helicopter. The last time the metropolis witnessed a similar to it was three decides ago (1951) during a hockey match at the Lden Cardens.



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aratroopers entering the gound

The milling holiday crowd occupied every vantage spot eagerly awaiting the arrival of the helicopter. At precisely zero hour the droning was at last heard and the MIR came into sight Everyone held their breath. The signal went up from the Rampart Control.

Operation started The first 5,000 feet was a free fall. with the paratroopers pulling their ripcords 25 seconds after exit. The entire operation took about five minutes ending is the arms men reached the linding spot Cutracks Agro Paratrooping School instructor I K Roth was the first to do so the others dropping from another helicop ter Steering trouble saw Lakha Singh a member of the forthcoming moun taineering expedition drifting 70 vards away from the spot. There were loud cheers for him even though he landed near the Last Bengal enclosure. Altogether nine of them enthral. led the holiday crowd. There was a moment of consternation when a para chutist floated clean past the target because of a strong wind landing on the road across. The entire operation took exactly 30 minutes

The match itself did not reach expectations It was more or less a training session for the formidable Baganside as the paratroopers were not such a strong team. The only strong point was the atfacking line strengthened by C.B. Thapa, and Unni but this too lacked punch.

SUB-JUNIOR NATIONAL SOCCER

Assam, Kerala share honours

WINNING the Sub Junior National title for the third year running may not have been very safe tying for Assam this vear Simply because they had to go shares on the liqbal Hussam Trophy with Kerala after two meetings spread over 140 minutes failed to give a verdict either way. And even going by the run of play in both the final and the replayed final at was hard to say which team deserved to win.

Both the encounter produced on ekeen soccer and as un both the encounters could well be summerised as tales of lost chances. Vethe Verin coach told us after the term drew goalless in the first meeting, 'Both the finalists wasted many chances But I believe that if Kerala got the kind of easy chances we got for scoring they would have settled the issue in their favour

Kerala coach Janakiraman former Fimil Nadu State and ICF star who came pretty close to donning India colours more or less agreed with I iteef's verdict on the match and I imented the fact that his star striker Jayakumar who incidentally was the top scorer of the tournament was woefully officious in the title matches.

One lost count of the number of time a goal looked imminent but either it was the goal keeper or the crosspiece or the sidepoats or rank bad hooting that failed to produce a result.

Outstanding individual performances came from Assam's linkmen Ajov Basumatary and Chittaranjan Daimary who were consistently good In Bakash Boruah Assam has a promising wing forward and he was instrumental in bringing off a move that culminated in Assam going ahead when they met Kerala in the replay of the final Boruah ran down the left flank to cross one neatly to his striker simanta. Phukon who beat Kerala custodian M. N. Shyam with a powerful volley. This was the first (and last as it transpired) time that Shyam was beaten under the Kerala crossbar.

Shyam's performance must have been taken note off by many who watched this promising young lad

Assam's goal coming midway through the first half, undoubtedly instigated the Kerala forwards to do better and the Assam goal came in for some heavy shelling On one such occasion some ten minutes into the second half Kerala's outside left Ahmed seemed unnecessarily toxed when he had goalkceper Jadh N Pal at his mercy and Ahmed's weak drive was untidily blocked away by Pal Jayakumar lying handy shot for goal and his colleague and righthalf Mohamud Silim dirted into to lend a boot to make sure the ball reached home With parity restored, the game tollowed the familiar pattern of offensive and counter offensive with neither set of attackers managing to have the last word

The spin of the coin gave Assem the pleasure of retaining the trophy for the first six months.

EVEN as the tournament processed abundantly clear that it there were coing to be any serious challenge to holders. As an returning the Justice Mir Iqbal Human Trophy at sould come from either the cientifically trained Being alouth to from the fight includes from Kerala Asia trace pried it was Kerala who got the better of Bongal when the two teams met mone of the semitmal



Kerala qualkeeper collects the ball salely from a Bengal striker's head

ABOUL LATEER WIN ABNOK KANATH

A sam should be a major force that reckon with in Indian toutbell in the next three or four years' said Abdul Lateef, former international and Assam State Sports Council coach

Lateef was in Medras for the Sub Junior National Football Championship as coach of the Assam team And talking to him one got the impression that his optimistic prophesy about the future of Assam soccer is not without base As coach of the sub-junior team, Lateef has proved what a dedicated person with the ven for

hardwork can do, given a wee bit of encouragement

Lateef, who began his international career as a member of the hidian youth team to the Asian Youth Cup in Tokyo in 1965 and last turned out for India in the 1970 Asian Games, took over as football coach of the Assam State Sports Council three years ago And ever since Assam have been winning the sub junior title Another feather to his cap is the Subroto Mukherjee Cup—a symbol of Assam's sup remacy in the national level school championship

It is precisely because of Assam's success at the grass roots level competitions that Lateef is confident that the senior rank play ers from his State should give many of the established States like Bengal and Punjab a run for their money in the near tuture

It is like this, Blat pure, some of those light the like set inninitional places of the light the set inninitional property of large the light that he has been been at the light that he has been at the light that the light that the light that the light had a light that the light for the Sub-hanior lights we take for the Sub-hanior lights we have not chose will colide back hear year as that there was the large were this year And thus we have a steady flow in replacements for all the three main teams. Larged add. Impeccable logic, without doubt, but how many State associations are aware of this simple truth and even if they are indeed dware, how many of them put it large actual practice?

One of the first tasks Latsef undertook after taking over as coach was to get the Inter-Districts Tournament organised well For the Sub Junior Nationals, 13 districts took part in the later Districts Championship for players of this age group It was after this tournament that 50 lads for the camp were selected The camp lasted one month (Incommally, both the finalists in the interdistrict competition received a kit allowance in cash)

Latest spends a fair deal of his time committing between Gauhati and the district where, mart from the the district where, mart from the the senior players how to coast the senior players how to coast the sounger lads in other words, you have this brand new tensept of "berefoot quartes", trained to impart basic skills and supervise the work-outs of young players. Thus, to horrow the economists term, there is generated a "multiplay" effect and the districts are not specific productions away in the capital.

In Sachet, away from his official distinct, Latest finds time to supervise the work of some of the "barefost chaches" (trained by him) in his private football school the school is run without any Government, aid. The school is run on private donacions and that too, only in kind (balls, kit etc)

"We are lucky in that the Director of Sports, the State Sports Council Secretary and the Assam Football Asociation Secretary is one and the same person Therefore, there is a good rapport between these three bodies and we have little problems in getting plans sanctioned The State Government has also been very helpful and when we left for Madras I got the news that Government had sanctioned a 25 acre plot for a sports school," Lateer added

The tie breaker was enforced to ettle the raise and the team at the receiving end of the heart breaker as Bengal. The oungsters wept uncontrollably after the match. Additionally been a matches to his been a matches to the end of the matches the end of the matches the goal ruling him off side.

The earlier semi-final between Assum and hosts I imil Nadu provided in awful contract to the fairly absorbing Bengal Keralactic. Again the ficial—Ranjan Dev Mohamud Obedullah and Chittaranjan Damary netting for them while only Stanivasan managed to get the ball past Assam goalkeeper Jaday Pal

On the way to the semi finals in the 18 team tournament (divided into four bools). Kerala and Assam had the most omtortable passages. In fact Kerala's ustodian M.N. Shyam and Assam's liday Pal shared the distinction of not awing conceded a single goal in their tague engagements. Kerala beat last car's runners up. Uttar. Pradesh. 2.0. Orissa 5.0. Manipur. 2.0 and Maharash. 1a. 1.0. to top the five team Group. 'B.

The best individual performance came from the fleet footed right striker I wakumar who was also the leading goal getter

Group C topper Lamil Nadu be an rather indifferently with a one all draw against Madhy a Pradesh but in their next match they blasted the daylights out of a poor Himachal Pradesh outfit At half time the hosts were leading 50 which included a hat trick by outside left Thomas I amil Nadu stinal tally was 90 In their concluding league engagement I imil Nadu got past Rajasthan 10

Holders Assam began their title defence campaign with a 20 win over Railways and then beat Pondicherry 40. The only real challenge of any sort came from a never say die Andhra outfit which relented to the Assam forwards after holding until midway through the second half Assam won by a solitary goal and thus topped Pool A with a clean slate. Lammy and

A with a clean slate Jammu and Kashmir who were in this group did not turn up

On May Day, Bengal took on Delhi but the boys from the capital never looked capable of giving the Bengal lads a run for their money Bengal beat them 2.0 when they should have asserted their superiority in a more authoritative manner, then beat Haryana 4.1—Harvana's lone goal coming off a penalty kick. The only interesting match of this pool came when Bengal clashed with Karnataka. The final score of 4.1 in favour of Bengal does not really do justice to the show put up by the Karnataka boys. It was the same old story of all only their shooting had been better.

Joint winners in the in augural year of the tournament. Manipur were a disappointment The wooden spoon if there ever was one would have gone to Himachal Pradesh closely to'lowed by Pondicherry But at least Pondicherry deserve a pat for being the only side with Harvan's who did not have any of their players debarred from taking part on grounds of excessive age. Thirtynine boys (2) were declared overage with Kerala Mady i Pradesh and Orissa leading the tally with four each. As one former international said 'Henceforth this will have to be called the Sub Senior National instead of the Sub Junior National

ASHOK KAMATH Madras

RURAL SWIMMING

Bengal

It India is to look for real swimming talent to be groomed for the future she must lay special emphasis on the rural pockets where there are promising swimmers in abundance. But it seems the tural areas are being ignored judging by the fact that only 87 swimmers from only nine Stites participated in the recent eighth All India Rural Aquatic Championships at Calcutta's Subhas Sarobar pool However the meet lost some of its meaning thanks to the participation of certain swimmers who looked inv thing but rural in appearance

The swimmers on show were raw hardly and despite the obvious rigours of life of hardship, they did not lack that basic ingredient of success, enthuiasm. Over the years several rural swimmers like Thouba Singh Babu and Wilson Cherran have made a name for themselve. This meet also siw future stars in the making Chandana Saha Bina Roy Mintu Sarkar and Gautam Adhıkarı of Bengal, Babul Chandra Das and Nazimuddin of Tri pura I axman of Madhya Pradesh and Ghai from Punjab just to name a few Others too were no less competent

Mintu Sarkar—a nch hac'



What these potential champions need is instruction on technique

Though it might seem ridiculous Laxman of MP saw a swimming poo for the first time in his life during thi meet He splashed in the still water o the pool like a novice figuring unim pressively in the middle distance events which were won by Bengal miniature champion Mintu Sarkar Accustomed as Laxman was to swim ming in the Narmada river he did no know how to turn in the 50 metre poo and therefore lost precious time. This was the dampening factor to his performances in the 400 and 1500 n events. But he made up for his earlie losses in the 100 m treestyle. Had hi return laps been good enough hi timing of 1 11 5 would have definitely been lower

The son of a fisherman, the illiter ite I ixman is known is a lifesty of by the people in his village far in the interior and intested with wildlife. His coming to Calcutta was sheer chance His uncle knew the local coach and casually mentioned that I axm in was good swimmer. A potential champior. had been found Some teel he coulc turn out to be a very good middle distance swimmer

Leam in however was not the only impressive youngster. The Limit Nadu inner of the first three rural meets



batch most of whom hailed from the coastal belt, also impressed So did the swimmers from Kerala and Karnataka, while the Gujarati team looked under nourished. There were a few who looked 'polished and some of the swimmers including Ratna Roy of Litar Pradesh looked more than 15 years of age. She was well built, looked sophisticated and spoke fluent I nglish as did her teammate. Neena Phatra. She and Ratna, in fact, look as though they hail from a higher section of the society—they had the most expensive swimming costumes to start with However they won golds in record time.

Freestyle expert Chandana Saha from Faldi in 24 Parganas district gave a brilliant display as she had a bag full six gold and two bronze medals. The golden boy of the meet was Bengals Mintu. Sarkar, who captured four golds but Iripura's Babul Das looks a nature prospect in the breaststroke coming first in both the 100 and 200m and also winning the 400 m individual medics.

In fact he set the record breaking trend when he erased Manipur's Ihoube Singh's 1.26 sec mark of 1976 in the heats (1.24.8). Dis began to wim only two years ago in his village aid since his father a farmer has no interest in sport he was a late starter. Though four of the Fripura boys looked like hilks the doctors gave them a clean chir with regard to their age when a protest was lodged by Bengal It was probably because of this verdict that no one lodged a protest against Ratha Roy.

Ratna Roy always had the edge over her rivals because of her height but she was no match for the young (handana Saha who gave evidence of her brilliance when she started with a record in the 100 m freestyle (1 22)

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Laxman -first experience in a poci-





Chandana Saha- the golden girl

sec) That was her only record although she won the most medals However her teammate Bina Roy was a constant threat to UP's Neen's Phatra in the breaststroke events—each win ning a gold with records. Neena in the 50m (0 447) and Bina in the 100m(1418) Ratna Roy shattered two backstroke marks in the 100m (1 36 6) and 50m (0 34 9) while Ben gal's Gautam Adhikari emerged the ! boys backstroke specialist with 1 record in the 100m (1 36 6) and the gold in the 200m While Bengal's Swapan Shantra won the 200m butterfly gold Punjab's potential champion AS Ghai established a new mark in the 100m (1 21 03)

Other than the last two new created on the final day the others at least some experts feel cannot be regarded as authentic because it is a known fact that the pool water must be still whereas the filtration plant was kept on during the first two days. The

reasc given was that this was done in order to circulate the water. But why was this done during the meet? And who is to be blamed? This pool was given to the Bengal Amateur Swimming Association (BASA) by the CIT and what they did was synonymous with the efficiency of the association. The pool it is gathered has also been damaged.

In this championship there was a dearth of time-keepers and judged the only officials present being members of the National Swimming Association Strangely enough the State Sports Council it is learnt had asked the BASA to help out but the only representative at the meet was its president as the chief guest. For once the council did a good job about the food and accommodation for the participating teams and officials. The visitors were happy. The Sports Council has also sanctioned tracksuits to each Bengal swimmer who took part.

SUBHASH SARCAR, Calcutta

Grand Prix T. T. in Calcutta?

THE Table Tennis Federation of India has at last got its project, "The Grand Prix" off the ground Or so it seems, though the green signal has not yet been flashed by the Government As things stand, the competition will be held in Calcutta in April 1982

On their recent visit to Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, for the World Championship, TTRI officials met table tennis leaders of different countries to apprile them of the tournament and seek their participation. The problem they faced was the timing European players were unanimous in the opinion that April was not a good time. The European circuit gathers steam in January sigh year and speeds up in the following months. Even if a few days will be accoped out of the schedule in april, very few players would agree in appril, very few players would agree in appril to Calcuite. The magnetic flow regords competitions wants, they feel, be better spent in feet and relaxa toos.

The Europeans lind agreed to play in Calcusta, provided the timing was changed. They preferred Decambes, beginns so major competitions are usually held in that period But the Calcutta organisers have pleaded inability on that scora

December 1981 will be a month of international competitions in this metropolis Apart from the England India cricket Test, the Indian powerlifting Federation will, for the first time, stage the World Championship at the Netaji Indoor Stadium. There is also a basketball competition scheduled in that period

Under the circumstances, the Bengal Table Tennis Association cannot risk a "competition" with other disciplines, because they can not afford to stage the cham pionship without an assurance of reasonable financial returns

In the sphere of finance, too, the TTFI has not been given the sum asked for The Central Government has sanctioned Rs 30,000 prize money instead of Rs 50,000 the TTFI wished to guarantee to participants. But negotiations in this regard are continuing and there is hope that the Government would ultimately raise the figure

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Sportspeople

Needs encouragement

THE fimiliar adage that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush still holds good. Periodically, we cryourselves hourse about a dearth of tennis talent. Indeed, there is a great vacuum after the Amritral brothers Sashi Menon. Ramesh, and Shankar Krishnan Actually, the irruation is not so bleak as is usually made out. What we lack is not talent but dedicated talent scouts.



One tilented youngster is Gokul Pidmin ibh in who was noticed in one of the Bangalore tourn iments. The sturdy youngster is hardly 11 ears old and though he was too shy to give my details of his tennic circer reliable sources say that he is coached by C. G. Paul and his father C. K. Padmanabh in both veter ins still participat ing in variou tournament. Cokul has won many prize, the last few years more of them before he reached the age of ten.

His first triumph was the under 10 singles event in the International Year of the Child Fennis Festival held in

December 1979 at Bangalore This was no flash in the pan for this smart lad In May 1980 when he was not yet ten he challenged older boys in the Karnataka State Tennis Championships and advanced to the third round Later in July the same year he represented Karnataka in the Sub Junior Tennis Nationals at Madras where he was a losing semi finalist. At the Ananthapur All India Hard Court Lennis Championships he played exceedingly well and though he was defeated in the sub junior event he was not disgraced.

Came 1991 and he began with a bing. He reached the quarter finals of the local Bangalore meet in January where he had to compete with more experienced older boys. This only inspired him to further glory. In the Guntur floodlight toarnament in Lebruity he blisted his way to the semitinal but narrowly lost to a sceded player. Because of his court craft and sportsmanship he was iwirded i special prize March found him in Midris participating in the sixth innual Swimi Vivekanindi Buthday Tennis Tournament and he was placed second in the under 12 boys event

A student of Bangalore's St. German's School. Gokul was the main pivot of his school team which reached the semi-final tage in the Bishop Cotton School Tennis Tournament. No wonder Alex Lowenberg the famous foreign professional coach his taken Gokul under his wing to teach him the timer points of the game. It is hoped that the all India body will encour acthis dedicated boy and financially too.

A specialist indeed

UNITSS one is well requainted with a particular sport and its top players at its most unlikely one will know the names of prominent coache. To cate an example at the name of Lennart Bergelin is mentioned the tennis fractrity will come up with the answer. He's Bjorn Borg's coach. But when the name of Igor Koshkin is raised there is a frown. Those who follow swimming ought to know the name. He is none other than the coach of Vladimir. Silnikov and the man responsible for the Soviet swimmer haul of three gold medals at the Mocow Olympics.

Koshkin is one of the most respected coaches these days in the Soviet Union Apart from Silnikov three other pupils of this Leningrad coach accounted for four silver med als too at the 1980 Games. He makes it a point to produce record breakers every veir and veir his been no exception Recently Koshkin's 16 ve ir old Leningrad school girl traince Larisa Gorchakova, established a new national mark in the 200 m backstroke. at the winter championships. In her own words. It's rather difficult to say whither it's hard or easy to train under Igor Koshkin It depends I think

the main reason in this context is that he doesn't regard his students as simple performers of his coaching designs but listens to what we have to say as to how this or that can be done better and he makes us think hard 'Strange though it may seem. Koshkin became a coach by chance He recalls that on returning to the capital after World War II evacuation he did some odd jobs as a radio technician apprentice followed by Army service and finally he was given training in swimming in order to train the soldiers. He says. I was bluntly told that I could not grow into a good swimmer, but could be come a good coach. This however helped him immensely later. Since there were very few pools in the capital in compution with the numbers of swimming enthusiasts. Kosh kin's school will noticed. The same period saw the launching of mass swimming pools and this applied to Leningrad too. That was how we really broke onto the scene said r smiling Koshkin. Koshkin's first major success was a haul of gold silver and bronze at the 1973 European aquatic meet. His coaching creed to guide rather than subdue. His ambition is to strive harder to make his school a team of trong personalitie. Koshkin. concludes. Everything must be balanced in clas swimmer training in cluding the development of power agility starting and speed

Hard working

BITTI RING a cycling record in the bring one into the news columns, but onsidering the fact that he achieved " with his desi cycle not a racing cycle—is omething really interesting That a exactly what a Chandigarh po tm in Vetar Sinch in the New Sec. retariat Post Office did it the recent P & 1 which competition at Pariala when he came second in the 4 000 metre escle race clocking 6.20 mi nutes list year he topped in the combined motorcycle cycle race dur-ing a panchayati touranment held at Paprali (ne ir his village Neholka in Teshil Kharar of Punjab) The 32 year old Net ir could have won the event at the 29th P & T meet held at Jaipur but for the fact that on the morning of the race he tound the chain of his cycle cut it three places

Net it Singh who has been serving the department for seven years and the father of three children is not shifting to Ch indigath simply because that would slacken his practice for the next competition. He lives in his village 25 km from Chandigarh so that he can cover the distance within 40 mi nutes regularly A 50 km run daily is good practice he asserted Surprising though it may seem Netar was the only one with in inferior two wheeler And do you know what reward is lying in store for him? His department has promised him in imported bicycle That should take him far Recruited in 1974 as a letter box peon, he was promoted as a postman only last year

The devils that torment Angel

TNDIAN women's athletics, which had started looking up of late, has been unlucky to have suffered cruel setbacks on account of injuries Few could have imagined that a simple foot injury suffered during a relay race at the inter university track meet at Gwa hor in January could have put Sree kumari Amma, the first in the country to have crashed through the 12 second barrier in the women's 100 metres, out of action for so long. Then came the peculiar problems of P. T. Usha the listest woman sprinter of the nation The latest to be rendered hors de combat is Angel Mary Joseph nation al pentathlon champion and one of our most versatile sportswomen. All three belong to Ker da though Angel Mary now represents the Railways and Karn itaka

Angel Mary is 24 year old senior veltare inspector in the Railways, I sed in Madras was advised to leave the training camp at Patiaia in preparation for the Tokyo Asian meet in June following a recurrence of back trouble. Later she decided to give up all thoughts of going to Tokyo. 'The Asian Games next year is my main aim and I will not take any risks that will come in the way of my chances then she told. Sportsworld in New Delhi where she had come for expert opinion and treatment at the All India. Institute of Medical Sciences.

The Railways one is relieved to learn have assured her of al, help in setting herself cured of her back trou ble But they have their own limita tions. The rules can be bent only up to eccition extent and no further Angel Mary has so far decided not to get herself admitted to the AHMS hospital v here she goes daily for treatment at the rehabilitation department as an outpatient. She has got her older sister. Annie to come all the way from Kerala to look after her while the two stay at a dormitory in Northern Railway's Kar nail Singh Stadium, the scene of many of Angel Mary's triumphs

Angel Mary has been assured that there would be no problems about leave which was one of her biggest worries because the last time she went to Hyderabad for treatment she lost her wages But leave is not all People like Angel Mary belong to the entire nation not just the Railways While crores of rupees are being spent in Delhi for the Asian Games projects, not all of it very wisely or frugally, it is a pity that some persons who really matter have little time for athletes like Angel Mary who give their sweat, and sometimes blood also, to bring honours to the nation

Mr Buta Singh, president of the Amateur Athletic Federation of India, also happens to be the boss of the Asian Games Special Committee, not to speak of his influential position as a Minister of State The least that could

have been done for Angel Mary during her stay for treatment in New Delhi was to have provided her and her sister with the means of transport from Karnail Singh Stadium to the AIIMS Transport in Delhi is not only costly but scarce All the better it the sisters stay in Delhi could also be made more comfortable in other ways

Angel Mary has been on lumbar traction and TNS treatment at the AIIMS for over a fortnight at the time of writing One hopes and prays that the trouble is not as serious as one

Angel Mary first injured her back during the training camp in preparation for the Moscow Olympics. The athletes at that camp, one understands were insured against injury But Angel Mary did not make a claim then I ater the trouble was aggravated during the training camp for women basketballers. Angel Mary, not many know is also a basketball player of high standing and represents the Rail ways at the game. The hard coment surface of the courts might have had something to do with it when the



doctor has feared. It is reliably learnt that the German sports medicine experts who were at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports recently have warned that Angel Marys spinal trouble could even lead to paralysis of the lower body if she does not undergo an operation.

Injuries one might say, are part of sport's occupational hazards in other words, but what, one might also ask has happened to the scheme to have athletes undergo training for major events insured?

trouble recurred, suspects Angel Mary Now when the trouble suddenly and paintuilly came back again the trainees at the Patiala coaching camp, one learns, were not insured

Perhaps the policy is to insure athletes only at the final coaching camp If this is so then it is not enough Athletes need better and longer insurance cover

Be that as it may Angel Mary is right now, concerned more with her health, not money or insurance or other such things Former heavyweight boxing champion Ken Norton undergoes a physical at New York's Madison Square Carden shortly before his fight with top-ranked contender Gerry Coones on May 11 Coones ultimately demolished the seteran with ease

India v first-ever night cricket game was played at the Wilson College Crymkhana ground on May 9. The match was organised by the Blue Star Cricket Club, who played I ort Youngsters. The game attracted nearly 10,000 spectators.





Ingland cricket captain lan Botham leaving Scunthorpe Magistrates Court with his solicitor He was sent for trial at Grimsby Crown Court accused of assaulting a Royal Navy apprentice



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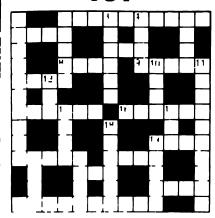


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- (5) Catcher
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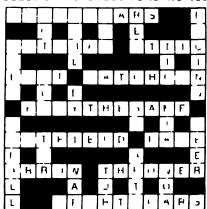
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Question box

S Chakraborty Amilava Deb S Dey Moloy Bhattacharjee Shillong

Q Which cricketer has scored the highest runs on his Test debut?

A Lawrence Rowe of West Indies in the first Test vs New Zealand at Kingston in 19 1 72 when he made the highest score of 214 Q What is R J Hadlee's date of birth when and where did he make his Test debut?

A R J Hadlee of New Zealand was born on July 3 1951 and he played his first Test Pakistan at Wellington in 19 271

O How was Keith Fletcher of England dismissed in the Bombay Test in 1976 77

Give his scores too

A Keith Fletcher of England was caught by G R Vishwanath off Chandrashekhar for 14 and was unbeaten with 58 in the second innings at Bombay in 1976 77

Kakku Kakkileil Alwaye Kerala

Who has hit the most number of double centuries in Tests? Who was the fastest? A Don Bradman has hit a maximum of 10 double centuries. He hit the fastest double century in 214 minutes, while making 334 runs at Leeds in 1930

Bablu Mandal Birbhum

Q. Give the bowling figures of Imran Khan. There he made his Test debut

A 73 9 36 0 and 5 0 9 0 in 1st Test ve England at Birmingham in 1971

Syed Akhtar Dhemo Main Colliery

Q How many Tests have Doshin and Kirmani played so far? How many wickets and catches have they taken in these Tests?

A Dilip Doshi has captured 62 wickets in 18 Tests and Sved Kirmani has dismissed 117 batsmen behind the stump by catch ing 91 and stumping 26 in 48 Tests as on 1St May 1981

S S Prasad

Q How many century partnerships have Gavaskar and Chauhan put up for the first wicket? Whith is the most successful pair of openers in Test history?

A 10 Obviously Gavaskar Chauhan pair who have opened India's innings in 59 inning of 36 Tests which is a world record

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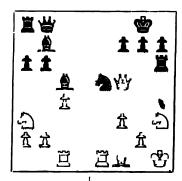
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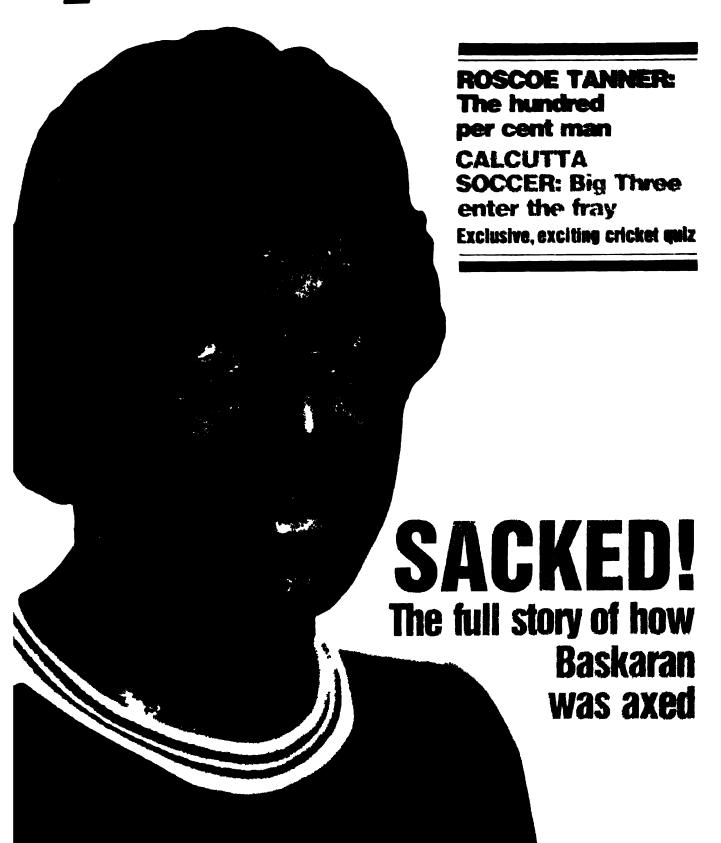
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PROFILE OF TANNER He had always been a promising player, to say the least But LEONARD ROSCOE TANNER really came into the limelight when he tretched Bjorn Borg to five pulsating sets in the 1979 Wimbledon merits singles final

ALL MONEY NO PLAY

The Tournament of the Champions held recently at Forest Hills saw most of the top stars participating with the exception of Bjorn Borg and Jimmy Connors It turned out to be a lacklustre meet with top players making their exit early GEORGE K GEORGE reports



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Letters to the Editor

Congrats Bagan

OLYMPIAN Mewal il had predicted an easy vic tory for Mohammedin Sporting in the Federation Cup The manager of Mohun Bagan had been very mod est on the eye of the tourn i ment saying that in the absence of a few good players who had gone over to Mohammedan S Chisterin could not be tipped to win the cup. The result is a correct indication of Mohin Bagan's all round superior ity Individuilly Mohimme dan SCs line up may have appeared more formedable but Mohun Bag in s answer to its rivals brilliance was tactical intelligence coupled with the ability of the defenders to anticipite any goal threatening move by Akbar and his other colleagues Mohun Bigin clear cut victory proves that experience always pays The Bhitta hirvis were sure of their tackle and kicks

No doubt. Mohammedan Sporting started out twourite. This was be-Livourite cruse of their decision wir in the replace is unst Border Security Torce in the semitinal and Mohun Bugan preference not to exert it self in the second match ignist Fist Penial Tew realised that the Bakan players were re time them. selves for the all our combat in the final But there were a few veterins who were prepared to lay odd against the black indiwhite side and such bookmaker (shrewd as the were) protited I congritulate Mohun Bagan for living up to it reputation and for uphold ing the view that Indias best football is played in Calcutta While all deserve a part a special word to Ula gan ith in for that spectacular opening goal

X 5 11511 Maders

AS soon is the long whis tle was blown in the fin il of the Federation Cup tour nev the joys of the Mohun Bagan supporters knew no bounds for the team's suc cess in becoming the proud winners

Thanks to Gautam Sar kar and his colleagues for their superb display, which enabled them to become the champion club of India They also edged out the star studded East Bangal with much credit Bravo boys keep it up ANILINDU

TACHARJEE Gauhan

IHOUGH Mohun Bagan were considered to be the third giant of Calcutta soc cer in the present season, they displayed brilliance to win the Lederation Cup In the fin il of this tournament both the teams showed their best performance and every toothall lover admitted very rightly that after a long period two of the Calcutta Li ints showed magnificent football for this magnificent performance the lion's share of credit should go to the pectitors because they were very disciplined. This discipline helps the player to show their best skill with out becoming involved in iny untur incident

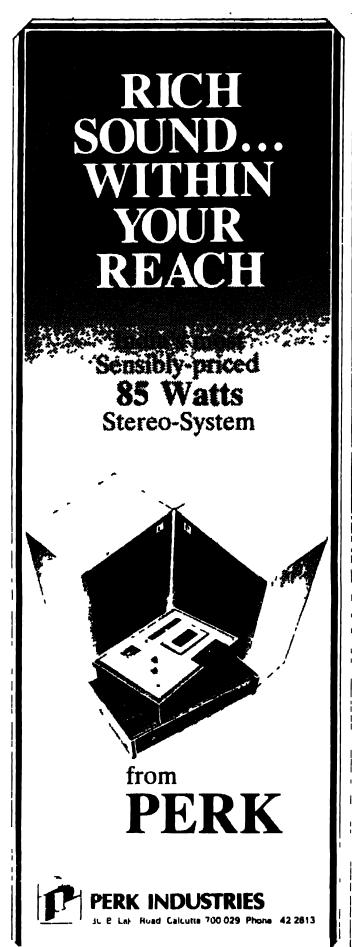
From this point of view we the Calcuttatootball lov ers have been deprived for the last couple of vears be cruse of the rough be haviour of some football fanalies However after this clorious example set by the Midris crowd Lisa genuine tootball lover request all and sundry to create the ideal environment on the field to bring back the high t indired of football. We do not want another black 16th August please

SUBIR BANERIEL 24 Pirganas

PITASE extend our heartiest congratulations to the lucky captain Pradip Choudhury new coach Mr Sink it Binerjee and all the other players of Mohun Big in for their victory in the fifth Lederation Cup tourn iment

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15 in irdent supporter of Mohun Bagan my joy I new no bounds when they retuned the lederation Cup it Madras Mohun Bagan proved that it is team work that is essential for winning matches and not



the gathering of the so called super stars as in the case of Mohammedan Sport ing and East Bengal Mohun Bagan has once again regained top position in Indian tootball

Every member of Mohun Bagan must be congratulated for playing his part well Ulaganathan in particular, was simply magnificent though he was a bit slow in his movements. My vote goes to him as the best player of the tournament

I of the tournament IAYAKRISHNAN P Trichui

MOHUN BAGAN cer tainly deserve appreciation from one and all for their magnificent performance in the titth bederation Cup tournament. Although the club lost Bidesh Bose Man is Bhattachary i and Prasun Bineries to Mohimmedin S Car cone out with flying colours. It was indeed a joy to see Mohun Bagan beat arch rivals Fast Bengal and Mohimmedin Sporting quite convincingly especially when the latter teams were favourites. Because of the superb performance by Xivier Pius Uliganithin Surijit Sengupti ind Gautam Sirkar the Mohun Bigin flig still fluttered Now the maroon ind green side has beaten both the Calcutta giants and established itself is the No. 1 soccer ream in India

(R ARAVINI) Bine dore

Controversial

THIS article is concerned **⊥** with the recent develop ments in Indian soccer that have proved to be a very controversial issue of late from the present situation we can easily summarise that ill the controversies have cropped up due to in ept handling by the organis ing committees Bengal several times winners of the Santosh Trophy displayed poor performances in the list Nationals in Cuttack ind Rourkela It is still a mystery as to why star play ers like Prisun Banerjee Subrata Bhattacharva and Chinmos Chitterjee were excluded from the team The fate of Chinmos was a miserable one. He per formed creditably in the Durand Cup but was a vic tim of the grudge of a top official in the oisanisation Chinmos was quite right

when he burst out against that very 'operator' in a Bengali sports magazine he was not even called for the coaching camp for the Asiad

It is now widely known that the desertion by 21 players was the outcome of a misunderstanding and the man behind all these tan trums was none other than the AIFI Secretary, Ashok Ghosh The statement made by Gautam Sarkar confirms this It was earlier decided that none of the players cal led for the camp would be permitted to play for any attiliated club It the committee had been staunch in their move none would have lett the camp But Mr Ghosh created the trouble by changing the issue that a player might leave the camp provided he agas a form that he would forter his claim to play for his to country and State in future This change only betrays Mr Chosh's lack of fore 12ht ind poor idmini criti c power A long is such in ipid personality holds pow er trouble will ilwiv hold sway. Mr Ghosh should be arin mand that onle good deal ings with the players can vield the desired result

My next charge is against the Chief Minister of West Benkil Mr. Ivoti Basu, He condemned the deserters in the Assembly According to him the c plivers placed their private consideration over the demands of the country My question is why should they not? Saci jit Deb is quite naive in his utter ince that playing for India would bring him (a) player) prestige but little else. Why should these star players sacrifice the lucrative offer from the clubs for two seasons while they would gain little from play ing for India Moreover most of the players are from middle or lower middle class tamilies and the need tor money is all the imperative So while a State au thority like Mr Basu gives a statement he should have had second thoughts on the ISSUE

Next in an issue of Sportsworld it was reported that the playing of three Iranians—Majid Jamshid and Khabazi—was in jeopards I cannot ascertain why the recent move was taken by the AIFI that any toreign player wanting to play in India would first have to produce a certifi

cate of clearance from his national association" I do not know whether there is such a rule already in force in FIFA, or whether the rule has only been created in the AIFF recently, as reported in your magazine "the AIFF decided during the Cuttack Nationals" If so, may I ask the AIFF as to why this move has been taken? The only intention that becomes clear is to deprive the three Iranians from playing in Calcutta and a particular man's indignation against Fast Bengal has come to surface Foreign players like Sanjari also played in Calcutta earlier but why wasn't such a move taken at that time? One may contend that the foreign players dep rive the local boys of their chances

But P k Banerice and oven Chuni Goswami have sdmitted Majid and Jam shid are the best forwards at present. So seeing them play and playing with and against them might bring torth good a result.

AMALINDU CHOW DHURY Ribin

Most successful

PHIS is in reference to I the letter published in your magazine by Ajiv Kumar Misra Allahabad dated 22 April 1941 There is no denying of course that Sandeep Patil was the most successful Indian bats man on the twin tour of Australia and New Zeal ind He was the only batsman to face the Aussie pace trio (Lillee Pascoe and Hogg) with contempt and take them by the scruft But what really surprised me was that Ajay Misra placed Patil just behind the three great cricketers of today— Richards, Greg and our Sun ny It is difficult to judge one's greatness from just one or two series Patil's greatness can only be con firmed when he succeeds in coming up with the same reputation against other teams too When there are the never say die Boycott the more experienced Vish wanath, Lloyd, Greenidge Hughes, Gooch Zaheer, Ma Jid (though both the Pakis tanis of late have not been in form) it is really surpris ing how Ajay Misra could put Pakistan at the No 4 spot It has proved that some of our cricket fans

line of thinking is not correct. They do not consider all the things that make a great player. A jay Misra, instead of promoting Patil to the No. 4 spot right now could have waited for at least some time and watched Patil's performance against all other cricket playing nations.

People are praising Patil as he came through the recently concluded series with flying colours but if this same Patil fails this winter against England at home the critics will certainly sing a different song Thes will even go as far as saving that Patil was nothing but a mere flop he was lucky to score runs in Australia

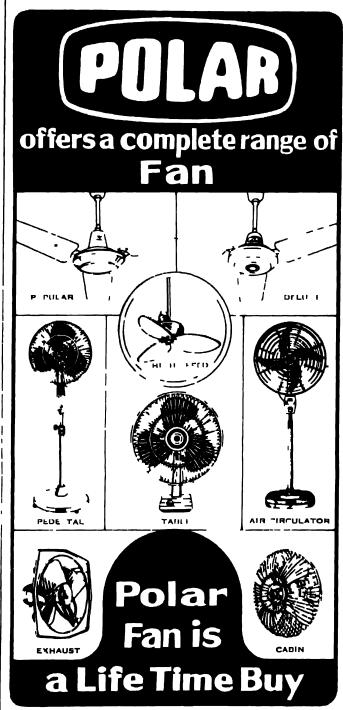
BASHAB MIRI

Dismaying

URING my trip to India DI had the opportunity of going through some issues of Sportsworld I was dis mayed to read some letters published recently tating that the incomparable Sunil Gay iskar be axed and that he has accumulated runs against interior bowling Such opinion holders dis play an imizing lack of compassion for a batsman out of form as also a disturb ing tendency of denigrating the levendary achievements of India's premier butsmin

Gavaskar has been the mainstay of India's batting with a consistency surpas sing that of the Turners the Chappells and so many other leading batsmen. He is the proud holder of sever al Test records. His sound technique his prolitic bril liance unwavering concentration imperturbable tem parament have stood India in good stead and should continue to do so for several more years. Are we to be lieve that Roberts Snow Underwood Gibbs Thom son and several others were second class bowlers. Moreover which great bats man of vesturear-May Compton "ammond-did not go thro halean trot? Is Sunil's loss of form total? Definitely not! Let us give Sunil the chance to recover from a poor season. Asking for his replacement will compound our problems rather than solving them

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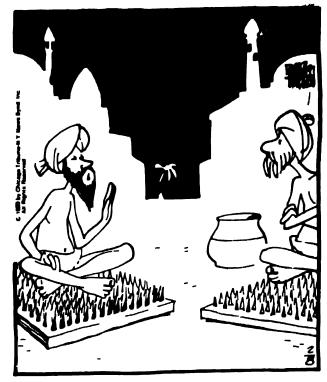
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I THINK THE ONE ON THE LEFT IS TRYING TO HIDE A POT BELLY

Athletics : Problems remain

M N SHOME

INCLEMENT weather intermittent showers, cold wind—and inept organisation—chilled the recently held All India Open Athletic Championships at the Northern Railway's Karnail Singh Stadium in the Union capital The weather and the arrangements dampened the enthusiasm of the athletes and were responsible for the meagre spectators attendance at a three day show which was sought to be called a mini Assad

The meet lost much of its charm with the withdrawal of Thailand at the last minute Kuwait was thus the only foreign team present. This Gulf State which has taken to big time athletics recently, had a small contingent of 18 male competitors. However, even with such limited number, they made their presence felt. Khalid Khalita won the 800 metres race comfortably outpacing. A Rajan of Heavy Engineering Sports Board (HESB) with another Kuwaiti star Najeem Abdulla narrowly coming third.

In the prestigious shot put event (traditionally an Indian stronghold in Asian competition), Mohammed G Zerhawi beat Asian record holder Bahadur Singh with a heave of 17 38 metres. In fact Bahadur Singh was nowhere near his best performance of 18 66 metres, and could only throw about 16 45 metres, about the same distance he achieved at the 1980 Mos.

cow Olympics An obvious inference is that Bahadur Singh is on the decline and India will have to do some earnest talent hunting rapidly if we are to retain supremacy in this strongmen's event

Besides these two winners Kuwait also got minor placings in several other events stressing the rapid im provement and rising standards of athletes in the oil region

In previous Asian Games, India's main challengers in athletics were Japan, China and Iran However, if the current Kuwaiti performance is any indication of things to come, India will find it difficult to make a mark due to fierce competition from the Gulf region where athletics is second in popularity to football

With the Asian Games round the corner and records in the world falling like nine pins an "athletic vacuum" is being increasingly felt. But we are still basking in the glory which Milkha Singh brought in 1960 or Stiram Singh captured nearly a decade ago. Few youngsters are coming forward to fill the gap left behind by the returing athletic aces. We are yet to realise that the gap between the Indian record and the Asian record is so wide that it would require quite a bit of planners brains to groom some genuine Asian beaters. It is a common knowledge that it takes minimum of six to eight

Bahadur Singh-is he over the hill?

years for any athlete to come up to international standard. A Jesse Owens, a Sebastian Coc. a Moses or a Lesse Viren cannot be produced over night

One would recall that India once was good in throws and middle and long distance running. But the stars like Stiram Singh Shismath Singh and Bahadur Singh are over the hill with no replacements in sight. To underline the sorry state of affairs only one example of Milkha Singh is enough. He ran 400 metres in just 45 to see in 1960 and till date the nearest effort was 46 6 see which was achieved by Uday K. Prabhu in 1977. What a pace!

The 800 m run has always been India's event in the Asian Games Sriram Singh of the Rapputana Rifles set the Asian record with a timing of 1474 in the 1974 Teheran Asiad In the latest meet—the India Open—A Rajan was tipped heavily to put his feet in Sriram's spikes but kuwait's Khalid Khalifa pipped Rajan at the post with a much poor timing of 1529 Rajan was just a step behind but it was not photo finish. However, in this event, Hakam Singh (University), Veerpal Singh (UP) and Dan dar Gowda (P&T) can be groomed into medal winners. They have the pace but to show the burst in the last 200 metres or so is just missing.

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Many a loud complaints were heard
both at the track and the galleries
about orgamisational lapses. The com
petitors were reportedly not provided
adequate residential facilities. Even.



Valsamma—reeds to be wa't had arefully

on cold, chilly days they had to sleep on the floor Food arrangements were described as inadequate Then there was the usual confusion as regards registration of names of athletes This was not just in the case of unknown ones but even established stars For instance, there was chaos with regard to the participation of India's fastest woman runner P T Usha Being a college student, it was expected she would represent the Universities Jyotsna Dutta, West Bengal shot put ter, could not reach Delhi in time due to the late arrival of her train She was included in her event at the last mo ment, that too through the good offices of the Secretary Railway Sports Con trol Board, Phalguni Matilal, who also happend to be the convenor of the organising committee of the meet She told me that her entry had been sent much earlier Many others, I learned had to suffer such uncertainty owing to lack of proper accommodation and coordination

Coming back to the events it was evident that the public sector units are improving rapidly while the dominance of Services Police and Railways began to diminish conspicuously Formed in only 1976 the HISB claimed the men's team title from these strong challengers. It may be recalled that this was HFSB's second year of participation. In the first year itself, they were pipped by the Services by a solitary point for the second place

Heavy Engineering clinched it in a nail biting finish by a bare two points The denouncement came in the concluding relay races. They grabbed all the 20 points to hit the summit with a tilly of 54 pushing the Railways to the second position with 52 Third were the Police with 38 points while de tending champions Services 'igged 36 for the fourth place

However the women's crown staved with the Rulway. They logged 50 points to Keralas 39 P & F and West Bengil were joint third with 15 points each

The only ray of hope on the Indian athletic scene is that the women have become aware of the fact that there is 100m at the top and the only require ment is hard work. We now have potential record makers in M. D. Val. simma Mercy Mathews P I Usha, Mary Thomas and Angel Mary Joseph who even after ruling the women's sports world for many years is still a force Valsamma needs to be watched carefully if India wants to do some thing in the forthcoming Asian Games Geeta Zutshi the Asian gold winner is vet another one on whom one can rely upon for some time to come Bakh tawar Khambatta, the pretty Mahar ashtrian girl represented Railway She was rather unassuming when she hurled the shot to a distance of 13 38 metres, which was 028 farther than the National record set by Subrata Debnath (13 10) of West Bengal in 1974 The previous best effort of the Open—12 69 metres—stood in Kham



Ange Mary (left) and Geeta Zutshi-

hatta's own name. She made a double by claiming the discus throw event

In contrast standards in the men's section was relatively more mediocre Apart from the record in the 4 100 metres relay the only other meet record was achieved by K. S. Balasub ramani of Tamil Nadu in the 400 m hurdles This Tamil Nadu athlete a find of the years, was just 0.2 seconds behind his own National record of 51 6 seconds Except Gopal Saint who could not come due to illness all of India's male athletic stars were present But none of them performed up to expectations. Adil Sumeriwala (100) m) and P Subramanium (200 m) at best retained their titles. But others like Sant Kumar Hiri Chand and Shivn 1th Singh performed miserably finishing with timings far below their even Moscow Olympics standard

After every national level meet, the stadia are left littered with broken records. In the Inter State meet at Bangalore as many is 27 records tell while in this three day India Open as many as nine records (women competitors along taking six) were re written though the weather was very bad and rain had left the cinder based grass track soggy and heavy There was much to enthuse over before these records were compared with the Asian marks The current trend does not augur well for India's athletic pros pects at the Delhi Asiad, which is just over a year away

Leaving aside the profit and loss account emerging out of this open meet one was alarmed to see the niked display of indiscipline amongst the Indi in participants. On a solemn occasion as the march past on the opening day each squad was of a skeleton of its total strength. Not only that a good percentige of them had dropped out and found lostering or gossiping in the filleric the mar chers also looked casual contrary to the oath administered to them

Except the Services and Railway squads most of the marchers includ ing the West Bengal contingent were found parading the 400 metre ring in such a manner as to suggest as if they were taking a morning stroll They were seen engrossed in talking and laughing Some of them even forgot to dip their respective colours at the saluting base

On top of it in some of the squads the participants were seen wearing different dresses. This is considered most unbecoming of a sportsman or woman some of whom will soon be donning the National colour. The detaulters included the Police contin gent supposed to belong to a disci plined force Lots of eyebrows were raised but not a single finger was directed against this flagrant indisci pline

This does not speak well of a nation which will be hosting Asia's biggest sports festival next year. As a host country it will be our moral obligation and responsibility to maintain 100 per cent discipline and display exemplary behaviour

'Operation Axe Baskaran'

ASHOK KAMATH interviewed V BASKARAN, former Indian captain, twenty-four hours after he had been dropped from the South Zone team

HISTORICALLY shake has been the trown of the crown of the control of the control of the crown of India's hockey captumey. As far buck as in 1932 controversy surrounded the office of captain of the Indi in horkey team to the Amsterdim Olympics Japal Singh was officially innounced skipper of the team and was supposed to join the team (in Amsterdam) from Oxford where he was studying Me in while Penninger had taken over a capt un of sorts when the team left our shores and he was under the impress. ion that his authority is captain extended till the end of the Games And when it came to the prize distribution ceremony there was confusion a to whether Penninger or Jupil was to lead the team up the victory podium

Nearer our times. Shankar Laxman who led India to victory at the 1966 Asian Cames, it Bankkol, did not return to the cimp prior to the 1968 Mexico Olympic, when he got wind of the fact that his ervices as captain were not required any longer. And that payed the way for India ichieving

the dubious distinction of fielding a team with two officially named captains. Prithipal Singh and Gurbux Singh The roll call of India's captains in major international hockey championships makes interesting recall Hurbinder (1970 Astan Games) Aptipal Singh (1971 World Cup at Barcelo na Spain) Harmik Singh (Munich Olympics 1972) M.P. Gane h (World Cup Am terdam 1973) Apripal Singh (Astan Games 1974 third World Cup 1975. Rene. Frank International at Madras 1976 and Montreal Olympics 1976 v. J. Phillip (tourth World Cup Bueno. Arres 1978) B.P. Govinda (Astan Games 1978 Bangkok). Ashok Kumar (Estanda International at Perth 1979). Surpit Singh (pre Olympics Moscow 1979. Champions Cup. Karachi 1979). and now V. Baskaran (Moscow Olympics. 1980. Indo USSR. series 1981).

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uround of India's ciptums has comcided with India's filling fortunes in
international hockey competitions. Fo

try and say which came first would be to indulge in the age old conundrum of the chicken and the egg. Suffice it to say that the office of the Indian hock ex captain has often been in epicentre of controversy and has in consequence of this told on the performance of Indian teams in recent years. Aptpal Singh the man who led India in two World Cup tourn iments and one Asian Games before his head folled after the disastrous Montre il Olympics campage told me a couple of months ago in fladra that it he were to single out | one factor (of an easily avoidable) nature) which contributed to Indias debicle at Montreal it was the fact that there were lar too in invideople in his team wanting to wear his shoes. It i was the same old story of the authority of the caption being challenged. We a h d this problem even in my first Oxmpic Gimes it Mexico when two captions were appointed for one team. It was like a rudderle a ship. When we won the World Cup in 1975. I had the complete cooperation of all the mem



Basks an lextreme light jogging with the others before a workout during the Bangalore camp prior to the Moscow Olympics

bers of my team There was tremendous team spirit and the boys would go out of the way to give of that extra bit' for the captain for the ream, for the country for themselves I cannot say that this was the case when I led the team at the Montreal Olym pics There were at least two other players-senior players-who rightly or wrongly felt that they should have been leading the team instead of me Autpal confessed

The latest bombshell involving the Indian captaincy is the one dropped on May 15 Vasudev in Baskaran who led India to victory in the glamourless Moscow Olympic Games was dropped from the South Zone team for the Inter Zonal Championship et Delhi In those in the know the news of diskaran's omission was not entirely a surprise. One hates to sound. I told. ou so like but one saw it coming oon after the new set of office bearers rook over the Indian Hockey Tederi tion last December. And when the new erder decreed that India would not be participating in the Champions Cup tournament in Karachi we knew which was the wind was blowing Bis kiran the incumbent captum was a marked man. And his outburst in the Press after India had pulled out of the thampions Cup was certainly doing no rie it things to his public relation core The attitude of the new IHI Lie ident Mr Inder Mohin Mihijin towards Baskaran and vice versa at the IHI office in Madras immediately itter the Bangalore camp had been yound up promaturely only served to behick Sam. Manekshaw assued a first

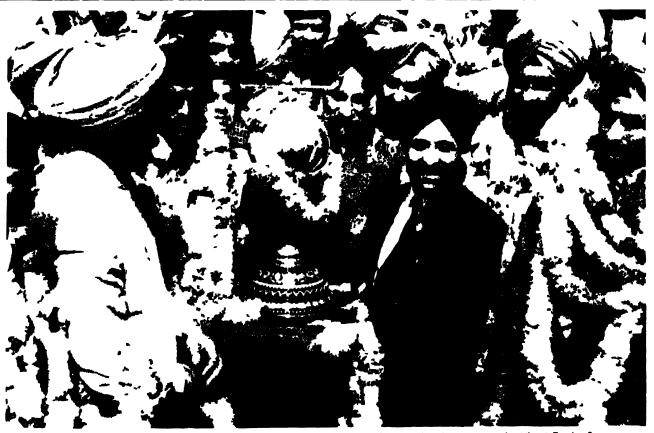


reinforce the belief in this writers mind that Baskaran's days were numbered

The fact is that rightly or wrongly there in many people in the present self of hockey power in this country who believe that Baskar in spredeces or Surjit Singh was stripped of the mintle of ciptum on urfounded grounds. It may be recalled that Surjit left the training camp at Bangalore cinpreparation for the Moscow Olympics) without permission and the AICS

that ultimately sacked Surpit from the term on grounds of indiscipline Baskii in as the seniormost member left was appointed captum on the rebound. And now it is reasonable to believe that the decks (and Baskaran) are being cleared to rein tate Surpt as capt iin

Veter in portscribe Ron Hendricks had a scoop of sorts when he quoted the IHI big boss Mahajan as saving Bakiring No no he has seen his best years. He won't stay the course until Asiad 52 (Like it of lump it



The victorious World Cup learn at Delhi after returning from Kuala Lumpur in 1975 Will India he able to regain the title at Bombay?

Sportsworld 13 May, 1981) Leave alone the Asian Games next year, Baskaran was decreed unfit for the coming World Cup in Bombay this December (His omission from the South Zone team to all intents and purposes means just that)

Interestingly enough Baskaran is the only player (with the exception of Chettri from the Moscow team who does not figure in any of the five zon il teams. Also note the pattern of appointments of ciptiins for each of the zonal teams—Last is led by 22 year old Metwyn Fernandez West by an equally young Zaffar Iqbil South by 24 year old goalkeeper Allan Schoteld Centrif Zone by goalkeeper Ashok Dewan who has been in and out of the Indian contingent since the 147 Kuala Lumpur World Cup and North by the most experienced of em ill Surjit Singh Now one does not doubt Surjit's credentials regarding his abil ity to captain the country. He is from all accounts a fairly good team man and there is no doubting that he is about the best left back in the country today In tact his presence in the Baskaran led Moscow Olympics team might have enabled India to win with far higher a degree of comfort than she eventually did But going by the general tenor of appointing youthful captains for the zonal teams with an eye on the future—one imagined that Punjab's Surinder Singh Sodhi ought to have got the nod. With his appoint



ment is North Zone captain. Surjit Singh could reasonably think that he has got back his job as India captain. And you do not have to be a crystal gazer to predict this.

Baskirin is he sive in his interview which follows believes that he have commerted or rather lack of it. And his contention is not entirely unfounded ing is the victorious found him until for even a berth in the South Zone side. Leave alone being Baskirin Baskirin

captain of that team and it saling tim out of the role of captain was the main task, surely he would have been the last person to decline to play for the country as an ordinary player without the responsibility of captaincy After all, Baskaran will himself recall the names of some of his contemporaries who after captaining the country played under other captains-Ajitpal played under Harmik Ganesh and as iccently as 1979 he was recalled after three years in the wilderness and placed under Surjet in the Champions Cup So did Harbinder Ganesh, Phil lips and Ashok Kumar Baskaran would have followed suit So why the hurry to ease him out? I have it on good authority that two of the coaches who rin the South Zone camp at Bangalore gave tayourable reports on the physical fitnes of Baskaran In fact they are said to have declined to be a party to the final selection of the term. What can be read between the lines is simple enough. The sacking of Baskii in was ordained from the top Which in the IHI set up is the President Mr Inder Mohan Maliajan

And come to think of it. Mahajan has not done something new. Captains have come and gone by the dozen in the past. One basic difference from those precedents and the current acking is that it was never a captain of a victorious team who was sacked. As has been the case with Vasude in



SFORTSWOOLD Did you have any inkling that you would not be included in the South Zone team for the Inter Zonal Championship?

Baskaran No, none at all I was completely taken by surprise

SW Okay, maybe that was a complete surprise But did you see your self continuing as India captain for our forthcoming international engage ments?

VB Why should I have thought otherwise? I had done well as captain of the team which won the gold medal at Moscow I have been physically fit and I certainly was in no danger of losing my place in the regular eleven Naturally, I took it for granted that I would be asked to continue I was asked to it the post Moscow scries against the USSR when they toured India

SW But that was only for two of the three Tests Did you not see the writing on the wall then?

VB No I did not think they were going to be that unreasonable

5W Baskaran, do you remember that evening MP Ganesh you and I were chatting in the NI 5 South Centre canteen when Ganesh told you to quit the game after you returned victorious from Moscow?

I think he said something like Baskaran, quit the game when you are on top I eave before you are given the boot." What do you think of those words now that the boot has actually come.

VB I think that is a lot of sound idvice. Believe me I intended to do just that after I returned from Moscow, but it was because of my close friends my railway officials and my own belief that I still have a few more years of good hockey left in me that I yielded to the temptation not to retire

SW How were you informed that

Vou were dropped?

VB Ah that's the question that hurts I was unhappy about the way it was done. We had just completed our morning session of the workouts at the KSCA. Stadium, and were relaxing National selector. M. Rajagopal the IHI. Vice President. Mr. Bhaskaran and the two coaches Ganesh and Charles were closeted in a discussion finalising the team on the basis of performances during the camp. Then Mr. Bhaskaran came out and announced the team. My name was missing. It was a shock. Not only to me but also to the other players.

VB Some of them believe me started weeping I have to thank God for giving me the strength to take the news without much show of emotion some of them came up to me (I don't think it will be fair to mention the names of the boys) and said that they ought to register a protest I told them not to do anything foolish like that I was very touched by the way they reacted, by the way they felt about my being dropped And so I put on a brave front There was a felicitation function that was organised by Amco Batteries that evening—the last day of the



Baskaran warms up along with his other teammates in ig the Tete in As ad Le lie Caudius and Balkishan Singh look on

camp—and I took the lead and said that we all had to attend the function I did I left Bangalore for Madras the same evening after helping with their bookings for Delhi. And not wanting to be a had sport. I decided that I would see them off at the Central Station in Madras on the Grand Trunk Express to Delhi.

SW You said that the manner in which you were informed about your being dropped was not proper. How do you think such a situation could have been better tackled?

VB Well I think I could have been called aside and personally been in formed. And it I was physically untit and it my game was not good enough. I could have been told so after the so called selections trials we had with Mr. Mahajan around on May. 3 and 4 Where was the need to try me out till the 15th?

SW How would it have helped you if you knew in advance you were going to be dropped?

VB I would have asked them to hold announcing the list for half in hour then called the Press and announced my retirement

SW It is generally believed that the reason for dropping you from the team is that you are now "old" and not fit physically. How do you react to that contention?

VB I can challenge anyone who wants to take it up to prove that I am not fit physically Basically I am not the kind of player who has to go to a camp to get into top physical shape I have no indulgences like smoking and drinking and I train regularly—camp or no camp, competition or no competition

I'll be 30 years old this October and during the camp I took part in all the conditioning exercises like any other player And I can challenge any one of the younger placers to a 100 m dale No one can say that I am not ply acally fit. And then the explanation offered is that youth a being given preference. I make the tente to the last person to deny a youngster a place in the team at he as good enough. But I do not think that any of the replacements for the position of left half a fill that good to warrant my being dropped. And do not forget that experience also counts in international hockey.

SW We take it that you believe you were dropped because of some pressure and not because the selectors found you untit to continue?

VB Of course. Why was the opinion of the coaches who were in charge of the camp not taken into consideration? It was a pre-plained move to get tail of me. I I ave a technic that both Canesh and Charle were overruled. In it is was when Mr. Bhaskaran announced the team ne. and that only he and Mr. Kajagopal were re-possible for the list. There must have been a definite plan to drop me from the South Zone team and thereby put me out of the running for a place in the national team. I am very sure about that

SW What have you decided about your future?

VB I have not vet decided I supposed I will continue to play for the Rulways till I can

SW You were planning to undergo the coaches' training course at the N I S South Centre last year. Now that you are out of international hockey, will you be enrolling at Bangalore this summer.

VB No I do not intend to do so As far as I m concerned. I in done with hockey. I would not like to be a coach in this kind of a setup. You cannot achieve anything even if you want to

How did the camps go?

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A ITIR every hockey deteat at the Olympics or Asian Games or World (up the Indian hockey Federation thmost riturdistically draws up a blueprint for restructuring the Indian team, devise strategies in keeping with the modern style of play and generally give new shape and direction to the same to bring back laurely that were at one time for our asking

Promptly the first thing that is done is to hold a few coaching camps for a couple of weeks before the start of every international event. But then the results are known to everybody So how could the five month long coaching camps and a few others to follow in preparation for the World Cup and the Asiad be any different from the ones conducted in the past? When this poser was put to Jhaman Lal Sharma India's full back at the 1960 Rome Olympics and in charge of the Central Zone camp (from April 17 to May 17) at the K D Singh Babu Stadium Lucknow he was emphatic in his assertion that the camp would go a long way in rebuilding the country's image berone thing this was for the first time that camps were being conducted in tive different centres-North South West Fast and Central Zone - for 25 players in each zone According to him this would neces sarily give the selectors a wider cross section of player to choose from Out of these 125 44 would be chosen for the Patial i camp for further intensive coaching - and pruning Moreover as far as coaching aids are concerned for the first time the IHF has driwn up detailed guidelines for coaches and players about the important points to be borne in mind. According to Jhaman-by now an old hand to conching-things have been plinned in right earnest and even if two or three outstanding players could be picked from each camp it would make

a world of difference A quick survey of the month long camp revealed that there was a great deal of enthusiasm amongst players each one trying to put his best toot forward Apart from Jhaman the two coaches Budh Singh Chauhan of NIS Patrila and Balbir Singh of Services have gone about their task in right etimest petking up the players to perform better And what is more important they have been able to comm and the respect of the players And indication of the enthusiasm could be had from the fact that only two players turned up late for the camp and that too with the consent of the lederation



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a mong the 25 players about a dozen boys have Lucknow Sports Hostel links which have helped the coaches to some degree. Besides the players from I tru Pradesh boys from the Railways. Indian Airlines. Bit is and Hyderabad were called for the camp.

From all accounts the find of the camp has been Manohar Topno. This 23 year old full back from Bihar Regimental Centre by way of match experience has so far participated in only three national events. Beighton (up Nehru and Murugappa Cup but during his month's stay here he has clearly shown the potential that he has in him. His tackling and recovery skills are if a high order and could be settled for being a penaity corner expert also though in that depart ment. Rajinderpal Singh of Railways has decidedly proved to be better at this camp.

There were several youngsters on view with no international experience which gave the coaches a good chance to weld them properly. I train Pradesh's Sujit Kumar at the left hill position is another player to be watched in the forward line, there were three established players in Syed Ali Mohammad Shahid and 5.5 Grewala

It was heartening to watch Sved Ali getting back into his old form on the lett flank after a long lay oft. With inside lett Shahid having further im proved the left flank as seen at the camp was well fortified. Another find in this area is Shamshad the 23 year old player from the Railways hailing from Gopalgani (Bihai) Added to this is the presence of Devender Singh the voungest son of Dhyan Chand a versa tile forward who can be positioned anywhere except at inside right However, if the performance of the players on the right flank at the camp is any indication of this stuff that we have in the country, it gives room for considerable alarm for none of them had the ability to keep pace with the left or scheme well Only Shafeeq some potential in this area As for Grewal, though he too has improved, it was clear that he is a very careless player

Star of two international fixtures-Champions Cup and the Moscow Olym pics—Ravinderpal Singh could well become the proper substitute for Ajit pal Singh at centre half He requires more grooming but his performance at the camp revealed plenty of improve ment in his style of play But at right half Jaswinder Singh of Rail ways was clearly a passenger On the left Sujit kumar was shaping well Among the four backs on view, Top no's class was way ahead of the other tollowed by Rajinderpal Singh The other two Bhandari and Moninder Pal Singh both from UP were not up to the mark Index the post Rawat of UP alone could be mentioned but he needs to work harder. The other two, Ashok Dewan and Balan did not im press

The divitor the players used to begin at tive. After two hours of work. out in physical fitness and exercises in skills they retired for breakfast to be back again for theory classes for half in hour on alternate days. Two hours of vigorous match practice in the after noon from 4 pm rounded up their day's schedule. They were all lodged in the stadium. While there were no complaints about the lodging and other facilities available at the stadium the players were really sore thout the boarding arrangements made Strangels the IHI had stipu lated that the expenses on diet should not exceed Rs 18 per player per day Although this was subsequently in creased to Rs 25 during the closing stiges of the camp yet this too is insufficient for providing a nutritive diet to the players. Some way of build ing up a national team. The State Government too which allocates tunds generously for undry nondes cript gimes did not come forward to supplement the tunds made as ulable by the IIIF

KESHAV RAO

BANGALORE

If one had witnessed the coaching camp for the Indian hockey probables at the NIS South Centre Bangalore one would have taken it for granted that it was like any other routine camp But within that lies a story of dedicated youngsters who are all eager and rarin to go If one had watched with eager eyes he would have got a different impression altogether. The lethargic approach and the I im sure to be in the team" attitude is certainly missing.

This camp was made up of youngs ters who had attended their first ever camp and as such they were very enthusiastic They seemed to be lucky enough to have two coaches in Ganesh and Charles, who retired from competitive hockey was recently

petitive hockey just recently Says Ganesh "The boys are all

young she rarin' to go Elitherto, they have had no such training and what I really liked about them is that they were eager to learn and mind you they do not hesitate to ask us for any help That is what made our task L 15V

Charles interrupts We only hope that they will continue to practise what we have taught them here We keep on telling them that unless they follow what we have taught them here while in the camp they will never be ible to do better in future. I am sure these boys will do that because I found in them a bunch of sincerc and dedicited players And Charles just limps

off- his knee is still stiff

Really these youngsters had taken e crything very seriously. For a person who has watched many of these cimps. I did not find the la incss nor the attitude that would go normally with the established stars. What was rore heartening was that the four senior players too were eiger to undergo the strenuous training and they looked all the more eager to help the juniors

The day began quite early for them ind they were off to one of the four venues--cricket tidium MIG Cen tre ASC Centre or NIS ground itselfin an army truck courtesy 150 Centic. For about three hours they were gren practical lesson before com-

back home. After lunch, and rest they were back for mother hard grind listing mother three hours or more

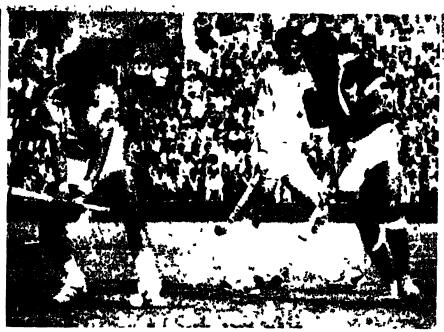
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The camp days were divided into three parts. The first of the three say the trances undergo touch physical titness sessions Sixs Gane'n. We made them undergo physical fitness e sions for the first 10 div and it was done through playing hocker it elf-That made it easier for them and for us too We could judge just from the initial stage itself what detects they thid and then we rectified them imme drate l During the camp the trainees played a couple of matches with local teams and even though they had no combination, they did well in them

The coaches give importance to practical training and saw to it that they struck a combination and in the last session the players were given training in tactical play. We tried to make them play serious matches and then followed up with what the concerned players really lacked. During the last session, we corrected the mistakes of the players. After each session we sat together and discussed their deficiencies and found the boys were all very keen to learn said Charles

The players too seemed happy with the training and facilities at the camp Initially they were rather reluctant to talk about the facilities but once they mixed with this correspon dent and my triends they did talk

"Accommodation was very good but the tood was both good and bad', that was the reaction of the players The tennis and badminton players who were in the camp, too were rather



Su nder Singh Sodhi tries to get past Birendra Bat ad i אלן טי atin als in Jullundur this year. Both have been selected for the local jumis

unhappy about the food facilities I which consisted of routine food a chapathi (the thicker variety) curry mide with either me it or chicken und rice plus other side dishes. What the players seemed to relish really is the fruits they got and of course the breakfast. The food was rather North Indian oriented and naturally the South Indians telt a bit disappointed

Mr Curbus Singh deput director of NIS when a ked about the qualit of food had this to say. All that I can a is that the quality of the food has improved from what we were provid mg them a couple of years back. True everyone does not like it, but how can we please everybody. The Govern ment gives a Rs 15 per player a day We keep Rs 4 for fruits and the rest for their food. Considering that only Rs 14 is earmarked for their food. I must say what they get is okay but still we will try to improve now with the news that the Government has agreed to in-crease the illowance to R 25 i day per player

But Ganesh and Charles were firm The tood that the hockey players get is really good. Please do not compare our hockey players with tennis and badminton players. Most of them come troin attluent families where they can get the choice of food. But it is not so with hockey players. Most of them ire from families with moderate income and considering that what they get here is really good. Who can provide you meat or chicken everyday ind night with just Rs 14 a day? When we used to play we never had that kind of treatment. We used to carry our own beds and the food we used to get was just an apology But this is no longer so They are all given beds, mosquito nets and tans, etc The food is quite good I am not saying that it is very good, but what they get is above average If the Government gives us R 25 then the ville en ket better tood. What do now get is really health and the diet will help them build up then timility and Ginesh

The food the time is it least better than the learning but still at can be improved the senior and inuni on The pand to the same here i well to the coche were happy with the vicin i on deamp. The idea of restricting the camp to only about 25 enable the cracke to give more attention to the placer. Since the number (1 they vill have to prove themselve at the inter-onal matches to eitch the eyes of the electors Some of the placers she were just about averue, hive improved From what I is goalkeeper Antic Sign im Chitrippe right backeen tichalt Min of Bihar fullback Peter Firkey in ide for yird Covindarij of Tamil Nidu Som isund ir im ind Ponnappa (b)th fervards have improved upon their tind aid considerably

Bitherto most of them did not have an one to Eurole them. Most of the player and to play for their respective club, and they followed whitever instruction, the club elders gave. But now it is different for we made them realite that they have potential and the should improve a lot and mind you all of them have improved considerably. That was the

opinion of Ganesh

Originally the camp was to have 25 but Amardeep of Punjab met with an accident near Delhi and was unable to attend. Then the number was turth er reduced when Dung Dung was un able to effect an improvement in the condition of his injured leg and he wrote to the authorities that he should not be considered for selection. So to make up for loss. Chengappa was in cluded. He snapped up the opportunity well

A CORRESPONDENT

CALCUTTA

HOCKEY has always been a poor constant to cracket. The treatment these players get with regard to food and cannot be compared with what is given to cricketers But the West Ben gal Sports Council did not hesitate to at least give the East Zone hockey camp trainers proper boarding facility right in the heart of the city. They were put up at the PWD guest house two players to each room Regarding food the players had to make do with the Rs. 18 per head per day, which was obviously insufficient. But the was supplemented to an extent by the sports council However there were complaints about the menu being the same all the time but this is some thing one expects even from boarding school lads Perhaps the I ist Zone camp was the only one to have had two venues. The first 1° days of the schedule- with all the players reporting on time-were held on the Mohammed in Sporting ground both in the morning and evening, but the venue was shitted to a school enclosure as the hockey season here was over and the grounds had to be used for footbill

The idea of holding the camp var to make the selected players combine properly and to get them into goed physical shape. They would then be put into action in an interioral competition in Delhi to determine the individual calibre of the players and how much they had improved. In Calcutta, there were two sessions daily each for two hours. In the morning emphasis was find on physical conditioning and basic skills, while in the evening the stress was on match practice, and penalty corner, and stroke practice. All these under coaches Hardwall Singh of Patrial and Gurbux Singh of the Railways.

While the comply on the Beight on Cuptouiniment withold Although the boys yere till under going the rigours of training the IIII officials decided to give them match practice. So in IHF combined ade was selected to play in the country's oldest tournament. The helped them a lot and also helped the coache to find the best potential among them. The team eventually won the Beighton Cup. Those who really impressed were Olympian Merwyn Fernandes who was adjudged the tourniment's best player Nelson Fikken Tirkey Ravi Kum ir Sushil Topno ind Leilkeeper Ghosh of Services and Bengal's Mundapaka

The Indian Hockey Tederation president Mr Inder Mohan stability in who was present in Calcutta on the myitation of the Bengal Hocke. A so cration -said after seeing the IHI trainees team performance against Mohammed in Sporting in the final that the boys were playing a club match. There was no individual brilliance.

There were a few who fell all Services Tiggriw is indisposed at the start of the camp and had to resume much

later Nelson Barind of Orissa, who played extremely well in the Beighton Cup, was afflicted with mumps and is still weak There were a couple of stomach upsets in the initial stages of the camp

Two players left the camp a few days before the close of the camp Salim Abassi went to Bhopal from where he sent a medical certificate of indisposition Bengal skipper and full back Ranjan Pal followed suit

SUBHASH SARCAR

PUNE

THE West Zone hockey camp at Pune seemed to have been an inno cent casualty due to the lack of coor dination between the Maharashtra State Sports Council and the Maharashtra Hockey Association

As a result the players had to stay in a room without fans in the scorching April he it of Pune. The players were put up in the premises of the State Reserve Police but were using the ground of the Army School of Physical Training.

The usual diet was being given to them. Breakfast consisted of cereal milk egg and butter to ist. One meal was non-vegeterian. At best the food was average but still a far ery from the 4 000 colorie nutritious food needed to produce a strong player.

On in iverage the daily expenditure on the player was somewhere all labil stragged enough to be in the value is seed.



between Rs 22 and Rs 25 The camp trainers were getting a pocket allo wance of Rs 5 per day Poor cousins to the nation's cricketers aren't they? The Test cricketers stay in five star hotels and get Rs 1,600 as allowance during a Test match

The boys at the camp were under the charge of Harbinder Singh, the tormer Northern Railway Olympian, and Karamjit Singh of the NIS In contemporary hockey competition, there is a growing tendency of laying great emphasis on the killer instinct, in addition to the normal physical conditioning and game practice Sadly enough, this was lacking at Pune The sharpness and the determination were lessons lost on the boys The Players have yet to experience confidence in their abilities

But the potential at the camp was rather encouraging Kaushik, Zafar Iqbal Hardcep of Indian Airlines, Gibriel and right half Somaiya are good enough to merit selection for the national team Others who impressed were Iqbaljit Bara and Toppo One wishes the IHF had selected some more vounger players from the Jawa harlal Nehru Charanjit Rai and intervarsits hockey tournaments

HARESH MUNWANI

PATIALA

DESPITE the fact that the Patiala camp had the best facilities, it was surprisingly, the focal point of controversy It seems that the trend of probables walking out of coaching camps has become something of a fashion these days. The Patiala camp, sure enough, was no exception. This incident coming shortly on the heels of a similar occurrence at the Lucknow camp, did not however, give rise to the kind of controversy that accompanied the walkout of the Indian footbal lers from the Salt Lake camp a few months ago.

No one seems quite sure as to why the two players quit this camp Indeed, no one is certain about what action—if any—will be taken against them The two in question, Gurdip Singh and Parminder Singh, left the camp "quiet ly" as reported in the national Press Neither of them informed the NIS authorities or the chief coach and former Olympian, Harmik Singh

The chief coach said later in an interview that the two players concerned had never taken the training programme very seriously. As a matter of fact, he had given Gurdip a dressing down just before the walkout, advising him not to take things so lightly. Shortly after this, both of them packed their luggage and asked for gate passes Although he advised them against doing so, they paid no heed to his warning and left the NIS campus.

Whether this was a warning of things to come whil be proved in the near future

A CORRESPONDENT

Roscoe Tanner: The hundred per cent man

Lookout Mountain Tennessee fine ver really had involving to fine Not at all But all that changed a tow years ago with the idvent of a nome in a vount tennis placer called ce rinner The nehetypal all and the more currenter the played every The first his life depended on it. In it is in voids he give it one hundred. or cent

Two verrs igo in July 1979 Look i as Mount in acquired omething of a the for it elf. I inner had fought his a through the carly rounds of Wamb eth vom distinction but and than centrall dear his place in the final a up t the lea ndux bjoin Bork on ic kout for a fourth accessive a least the previous rdo throwld he hued with Tre I Per The day of the final tans reach accord whate and blue banner at ide the All Ingland Club bearing tre le end. Lookout here comes

lanner played spirited tennis stretching the Swede to the cas limit taking him to five sets y hen the pundits and fellow pros had predicted overconfidently- ind pompously that he would be innihil ited in three Tinner played the same of his life going for stroke, that he would probibly have had second thought about in normal circumstances. Yes, his serve did help him to a certain extent. but more than anything else at was his verve that impressed the crowd. He had nothing to lose, and placed the match accordingly

He matched Borg point for point shot for shot strategy for trategy Borg won in the end but he probabl breathed many a achief relief after

the Lime was over

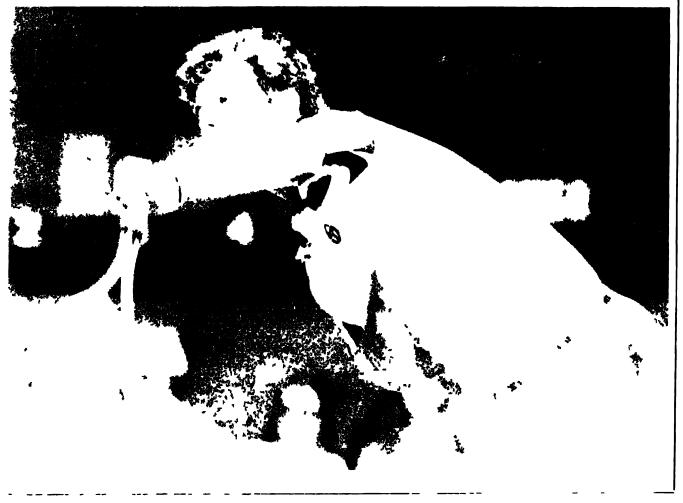
Tinner had played exalted tennis that afternoon, there was just no doubt about that. He had fought Borg every inch of the way refusing to yield in the slightest. It was a good final perhaps I ha own Tormer USDaya Cup captain

not the best seen in recent years but Tinner really made his opponent sweat for every point. The underdok had stunned everyone by the way in which he tought and I inner received the kind of applituse that is reserved for winners and not runner up-

In all probabilit. I unter will be remembered as the man with a than derballor i re Dievised mei dout three en volt it Linner or and the Linner would never be remembered for an thing else by they is quick to realise the He red by hour or he ground he recurrer ift his volle and this bore in idea ! He begin to win more mut be and even those he lo t give him in taction for they were clear buttles the result of his will to acceed that here determination to improve

The first visible change vas not the volle north impreved overall game. It will a new him tyle. The short strucht har tyle give var to a slight. I longer ha v perm. Lumer was clemains and wir determined to show the world that he was serious. Opponeur plood a Linner they had never known before this was a new Linner a man who y is more serious about his a ime than he had ever been before

It is a transc because he was reworking his game at a stage when most other pros reach their peak. Of course he did not effect the change on





Tannery is lifte 1 1 in 1

Denis Ralston was the man who helped Linner out with his sime. And sure enough Timber be an maturing into a more thoughtful self-controlled player

I m starting to put a lot of pressure on the other success of the other success sands break all the time but it least I'm in the rine he aid He also admitted a ti-the speepishly that he used to put hidt hi left it into holding his own errice kime and that he always took it a a per on irin alt. The lost even incide the proce-

No matter how well on an eroure bound to get broker ever raid ly There will be a came where your opponent nail a couple of return and ! market you miss a volley and a unise your serve I don't orration! hat h now because Diguie Lear breaklack I concentrate on putting pressure on 1 princhips at Cincin attrained the emi-him every time he serves because it I 1 thirds of the US Open on hard court break him more than he break and Im young to win no t of the time

The been reading about some of the top player in other ports, say, like Pete Rose, who may not be the mot gitted by ebill player, but hutles all the time and gives it every thing he shot and they ill talk about intensity. I've tried to become more intense to go liter everything use what I have a well as I possibly can indiconcentrate as hard as I can on the court and forget everything else-That's the way I ve tried to play every tourn iment and every match the vear It doesn't mean youll ilwis win but it certainly me insithe other guy has to play a good match to be it you

YANNER begin working with Rit 1 ston toward, the end of 1977 the result began to manifest them selves curly in 1978, when he beat no less a person than Bjorn Borg in the quarter finals of the US Pro Indoor at Philadelphia referring a change came to note on trates he had worked out over the telephonhis coach

Hosever 1979 val the venil hen the chance really howed up to Wimbledon where he lost online a et on hi viv to the final acun-Bug he reached the quarter final rise of every tournament he pland. Following a couple of drappenning ummer tournaments on clay he r whed the final of the AIP (A) corrient of Tennis Professional Cham He had other are it moments at it. tying moment is well such as beiting long standing rivil Jimmy Connor ind going on to win the Volvo Tenni-Came in Palm Springs in Februar that you Consistency vas the yord and Tinner was playing consistent te nni

That was my most consistent year be a mile. You're always going to have some upsets. Guy the going to be i you. But you've got to try and schedule yourself intelligently so that every time you go on court with a good enser utitude You're some to try to win every match and nothing a going to bother you. I think I neletting fever things upset me so it child call come

hopefully if tonly going to cost the that one point Denis has worked very had with me on that You have to practise that is well as strokes You can t go out in a practice and get mad be upset with everything you're doing and then in a match be completely different It's just like hitting fore hinds and bickhands. You have to practise oncentrating fighting hard not giving up and playing each point IS IT COMES

Shortly after Lanner had beaten tellow Stanford University graduate Pit DuPie to reach the Wimbledon final for the first time, his father was costatic. It's difficult to express what the means to Mrs Tanner and mebecause it the culmination of effort and do no that extend over a period of almost 20 years. In the early coars I never had any idea that Roscoe would excel it a world level. I simply wanted him to be good enough to be a comparatively well known player in the communty and the South because I thought it would be a good thing for him is a lawser to be known for something outside of law (Mr Tinner the enfor partner in the Chatta nooga law turn of Tanner and John that peculises in corporate law-

I wanted him to practice law with me and I thought he would until he started to make his move internationally during his third on at Stanfore. That, when he really started to show promicism it players of world class and at the time. I was both ple ced and unhapp. Pleased for him and unhappy because I thought it would peopardise the relation hip I hoped to achieve a father and son Liwyers And of course it has

I still have mixed emotions. I had il ivs thought he would go to live chool after Stanford. He would have made in my opinion a tine attorney because he has a wonderful mind a mind like a bear trap. But I think it is probable best for him that it worked out the way it did Trofessional tennis give him opportunities that hew people a cend to contacts with prominent people all over the world and apportu-nate to travel and develop business interests and relationships internationally and to lead what I would regard a a well rounded life with financial securit. I was 55 year old when I mixed it the point At 27 he's there already

Mr Tinner recalled Roscoc's first tournament, the Tennessee Open at Memphis in 1969 when he was eight vens old. I was playing in the senior divition my oldest daughter was play mg and Ro coe went along to watch When we got there we tound that they had in under 10 division and asked it he would like to play. He got beat 6.0. 6.0 but he loved running around the court with a big racket and had a great

In his father's opinion Roscoe's breakthrough ven was 1966. The improvement in his game was unbehis able. He started be iting players he had never besten before-including



Newsletter from Australia

Australia ready for Jr. World Soccer

AFTER two years of planning, Au stralia s role of playing host to the 1981 World Youth Soccer Cham pionship took concrete shape in Can berra with the official championship draw on March 31 last Held in the \$A6 million National Indoor Sports Centre, the draw was a colourful event, tele vised nation wide, and watched in person by executive members of soccer's international ruling body, FIFA, and diplomatic representatives of the 15 nations including Australia, will contest for the Coca Cola Cup The draw was made by Mr Harry Cavan, FIFA vice president, and Mr Sepp Blatter, its secretary

It placed two of the tournament favourites, reigning champions Argen tina and England, into Group D with Australia and the African qualifier, Cameroon The Group A contenders are the United States of America, Uruguay, Poland and Qatar, Group B has Rumania, Brazil, Italy and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Group C consists of the Federal Republic of Germany Mexico, Spain and Egypt

The 32 matches will be staged be tween October 3 and 18 in six major cities—Melbourne, Sydney Adelaide, Brisbane, Newcastle and Canberra—scattered over a long corridor of the eastern seaboard Considerable travel will be involved for the competitors and their followers with Brisbane, in the north of the continent, being

2,400km from Adelaide in the south, But fast, modern air services put most of the cities within an hour's travel of each

Many of the matches will be played at night under floodlights, with the final on October 18 schedule for the Sydney Cricket Ground, a regular and picturesque venue for international soccer, cricket and rugby matches

Hosting the championship, the third of its kind, will cost Australia \$A3 million, much of it going on fares to bring competitors and officials to the most remote venue ever used for a major soccer tournament

The World Youth Championship is the most important sporting event staged in Australia since the 1962 Perth Commonwealth Games It is expected to greatly stimulate interest in the sport, which is one of the four football codes played in Australia during the winter season

The organiser, the Australian Soc cer Federation, says direct television coverage of the matches will go via satellite to more than 50 nations with an estimated viewing audience of 1000

White Australia, a country of 14 million people, has hosted tours by major national and overseas club teams for many years the cham pionship will be the most important soccer event in its history. The sport has been played in Australia for more than 100 years, but has achieved major status only in the last decade. Soccer has 280,000 registered play

Soccer has 280,000 registered play ers outside the schools, and claims the fastest growth in junior ranks (under 18) of any of the football codes

Australia has a national league comprising 16 teams which started in 1977, and the high point of international achievement came in 1974 when its Socceroos won a place in the World Cup finals in West Germany

Huge sports complex

A PROJECT which has been de scribed as the most exciting concept in Australia's sporting history is now gradually coming into life this year. It is the Australian Institute of Sport, a completely original concept in Australia and one which is seen as the best means of stopping the exodus of outstanding young athletes to other countries.

The National Indoor Sports and Training Centre, which will house the institute in Canberra cost \$A5.6 million It is located alongside the Bruce Stadium, an all weather track and field and soccer complex built in 1977 at a cost of \$A5 million Together the complementary structures combine facilities which can be found nowhere else in this country of 14 million people



Australian tennis star John Newcombe (left) and Sir Arthur George. ASF president, with championship mascot. Kickaburra



The National Indoor Sports and Training Centre

Bruce Stadium, with its spectacular modern grandstand, first class tracks and jumping areas and high quality grass soccer field is probably the country's finest venue for soccer internationals and important track and field meetings. It was the site of the 1977 Pacific Conference Games

However, it is the adjoining indoor centre and the Australian Institute of Sport which is at present exciting even greater interest and enthusiasm in this acutely sports conscious nation

During the past 35 years, Australia has lost countless young and highly talented athletes basketballers, ten nis players, swimmers and others who have sought to improve their academic and sporting prowess at overseas universities and institutions

The main aim of the new institute is to stem this outward flow of talent by providing expert coaching and train ing in world class facilities for the country's top young sports people It also will provide quality support for students in the areas of sports medi cine and sports science. In addition, students with the necessary academic qualifications will be able to enrol at the nearby Canberra College of Adv anced Education in a sports study programme providing degree and di ploma courses in subjects including coaching, administration, journalism, public relations and other related topics Students will pay no fees at the institute or at the college A scholarship scheme drawn by the Austra lian Government will meet all major coats

Originally, it was planned to admit 40 first year students to the institute's eight sports disciplines—tennis, swim ming, netball, weightlifting, track and field, soccer, basketball and gymnastics However, when more than 750 young Australians appiled for admission six months before the opening date, the Government decided to in crease admissions to 70 at a cost of \$A140,000 in the first year. It is planned to increase the enrolment and the number of sports soon



The first student of the institute Michelle Ford who won the 800m freestyle gold at Moscow

The aim of keeping home grown talent in Australian has already been served by the selection of the first student She is Michelle Ford, 18, of Sydney who won a gold medal in the 800m freestyle swimming event at the Moscow Olympic Games Her selection was announced last September on the day she was to leave for the United States to take up a four year sports

administration scholarship at a university

The first director of the Australian Sports Institute is Don Talbot a for mer Sydney schoolteacher, who is known throughout the world as a leading coach and sports administrator. Mr Talbot was coach of the Australian swimming team at the 1964 and 1972 Olympic Games and the Canadian national coach at the 1974 and 1978 Commonwealth Games. He has a BA honours degree and an MA in psychology. The new institute has particular relevance to Mr Talbot whohad to go to Canada to fulfil his twin ambitions to gain higher academic qualifications while pursuing his coaching career.

"The institute is without doubt the greatest thing to happen in Australian sport 'he said 'It will give Australian athletes the chance to stay in their own country to polish their skills without taking them away from their jobs or education and without back breaking costs."

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The National Indoor Sports and Training Centre is a low profile building surmounted by a floating platform roof suspended on both sides from cables and sloping masts. The body of the building has been set deep in the

The multi purpose sports hall with a ceiling height of 12 5m (41ft), mea sures 57 5m (188ft) by 37m (121ft) and is large enough to accommodate most indoor sports. Its ceiling is high enough to meet international volleyball requirements, and it has space for three side by side tennis courts, or the same number of basketball or netball courts. It will have fixed accommodation for 2,500 spectators, while temporary seating will lift accommodation to 4,200 viewers.





News: National

CALCUTTA LEAGUE

Big Three yet to settle down

The Calcutta League livened up when the big teams made their appearance on the Maidan It was an eventful week as all three won their matches but not before Mohammedan Sportingconceded a goal and Mohun Bagan got the jitters in their second match RANJITKUMAR GHOSE, SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB report on the matches

FAST BENGAL The red and yellow | side made a somewhat shaky start on May 18 against Bhratra Sangha, a side that had fuled to secure a single point from their four precious outings. That such a lowly placed side would be no match for the formidable all star con bination that hast Bengal are this year | was a foregone conclusion. A comfort. able if not a runaway victors was the common prediction about the outcome of the battle between two unequal units. But the fact was that I ast Ben gill had to rest content with a more two goal markin. It appeared the team had yet to shake off the stupor of its ! Lederation Cup reverses less than a fortnight previously

Fist Bengal's performance since 1980 has hinged on the Ir mi ins. Majid and Jamshid It they play their true, i inc. the entire te im moves smoothly like a sell-oiled in ichine. It not the reserve a true. This day too there was

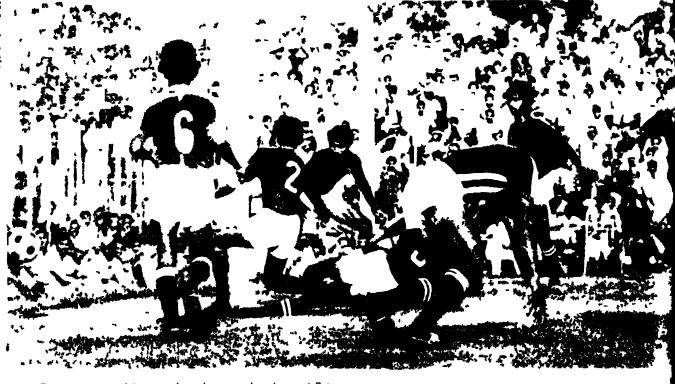
no exception to this general rule. With his increased avoirdupois and what with his latigue caused by in over night journey, they had reached Calcutta during the small hours of May 18 - Majid the more intelligent and dangerous of the two could not do what was expected of him.

However he plived well in pitch es. He did spoon feed his compatriot several times but the latter could hardly do justice to his passes. One such opportunity came in the eighth minute of the second half francis whose opportunism and header brought both the goals of the day and larid who played in intelligent albeit a trifle low pime easily the two last Bengal new recruits who caught the eye But perhaps the focal point of the evening was local box Anudex Das who litted himself perfectly into the team Back in 1975. Anudex leap to fame overnight when a a follygume Agra.

a min player he pind seint respect the celebrated Surant Sengupta in rendered him and for the matter Fa-Bena il too immobile for the beta part of the match

Among the Bhritii players metion must be made of right stopp i Amalendu Ghosh left linkmin Budha Mondal and lett winger Chandor Panigrahi In the years to come the list named in particular, hould rise greater heights provided of course he has the right sort of training and retain the willingne's to shine gave stopper Monoranjon Bhu tach irva some trouble and the veter it Sudhir Kumiku who made was to Dilip Palit only when he pulled a muscle carly in the first half. It was really good of Dilip to have played ungrudgingly in the unaccustomed position but he give quite a goor account of himself

Stipper Monoranjan Bhattachar



Shyam Thapa (extreme right) scoring his side's second your against Bits



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r untilns a tight lipped silence will say nothing before my term uches form the said point blank r et Benjals new coach Santayyoti Mitra was reticent at first. Santo Mit. cor Sinu is he is affection itely Pled in maid in circles, was the skip. prof East Bengal in 1970, the Golden lubilite ve ii of the club and of Bengal n 1969 when Bengal litted the Santosh Trophy for the sixth time in succesnn He had to take over from Prabir Mizumdar after the Federation Cup th circumstances beyond his control If did not mince words when he said that he was not at all satisfied with the performance of his team

To some extent however he was happy because he had steered the te im to a win in his first ever assign ment Moreover there were the preno teh uncertainties about the availa bility of the Iranians and the conse quent fear of an upset in the very first much, the worst thing that a coach un dream of He is an optimist, and expresed the hope that with increasing Physical fitness, the team would do well in coming engagements

In their very second outing— unst Customs on May 21—Majid showed that it was he who makes or mirs an East Bengal match Majid

played with a venge ince as it were Not only did he carry the entire Last Bengal team on his shoulders he did the padework for all the four goals cored by Find Trineis Jimshid and Michido in thit order. The word vege ince is used because Majid was reportedly annoyed by ome refer ! ences to his fitnes, and stamina in a him elf to the topper's position section of the vern icular Pres. It was an aberration that the man who made the team move himself fuled to score But then with a four love lead one can afford to be extravigant. Maild was thrice. This extravitance apart he played maje tically throughout and received a standing ovation from the members stands on his way back to the dressing room
It was Mijid's and Last Bengal's

day and the margin could have been doubled But the Customs boys did not play badly as Mr Nripen Chakraborty maintained You see they quickly cashed in on the chances that came their way, he said "and that explains everything Otherwise my boys excelled in ball playing and I am satisfied with their performance. Think of the chances we got Had not Prasanta Mitra fumbled before the onrushing goalie Biswajit Das, we could have

exactly this lone Customs chance that was the crucl thorn in Santo Mitras crown of roses that afternoon. A bit relixed it the new found mobility of his team he still maintained that he had a long way to go and it was too early to comment. Mitra was especial. ly glad that Dilip Palit had adapted Asked why he ubstituted khab in for Michido in the second half he said the latter was suffering from a boil on the lea Moreover if one will not venture in experiment even after a tour goal lead when will he?

MOHAMMEDAN S C Bick from Madras after playing on a hard surface in the Lederation Cup the team did not immediately tune itself to the soft turt. This was clearly evident in their first Senior League engagement against a lighting fit junior outlit Aikva Sammilani Although the grants won the tie 31 the Aiky i boys de served praise

The Mohammedan Sporting coach Satt ir said. Being the first mitch it took us a long time to settle down. But we sincerely hope to improve our performance in the ensuing fixtures. I am being lenient with the boys with regard to this match because the team scored a goal against them It was its vet to get adapted to the soft



ground Commenting on the goal his | ream conceded Sattar said It was due to the lapse of our deep defence. And please I don't want to add any thing more now. Let a leave it for the other matches

It was evident that Aikva who have so far earned three points in four matches-lacked experience but what made them win the hearts of the pectators was their grit and determinution in a patently unequal fight They were very quick on the ball rickling the opponents quickly indving them civ little manocuvering nice The Binerice medio. Prisintiand Prisum were hardle given room and time to dictate term in the ard midfield user The union — inbined. oll with hort passe and adden-are in the middle of the first as ion. And winger Thickin Disappor To happened to plan his exend Snorféigue naich we eisim i res it. He took a dameer a shor or the crespices. The high vent a tolloyed by medic Arina Licit open per at roll but he venit un'l en uich to be it Mohammed in so rame and India ou tody in that kin t in u

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Pridip Biswis unimed up. Lam. quite impressed with my team's performance. My bols are oung and they try to play hard. I told them not to play defen ively but to ittack whenever they got a chance to do so. The attack ing mood you may have seen was the result of the Loul we scored. Even when we were looms, we were never subdued It will only in the list few minutes that the boys were getting tired. I hope we will not play badly quant the other two grants

WITH a couple of second string player in their rinks Mohammedan l S. C. trounced set mother junior side Mir ipur Union 10 There is nothing much to ay about the performance of the former side is they were a disjointed lot. The absence of medio-Prisinta who pulled a muscle while varming up prior to the match made ill the difference in the vital midfield are a and this took a heavy toll on Frasun Bancijce Prasun ind Manas Bhattacharya were the only two who did impre while the rest performed mi erably Coach Abdu Sattar explaned Probably the result indi-cite it but I here that the boys tailed to settle down in the first half Oir midfield vis weakened by the ib ence of Prayint's Despite this hovever. Prasun put up a good fight. We cored call the goal coming after lemon times when the Mir apur detence cracked under con-tant press are I must say that we still have to improve indicer if the same time I im hopeful that my boys will gradually find their form. Of the four goals Minus cound goal was the best inopportunistic one. Ashok Chatterjee. who played in place of Prasanta war a bit slow and needs to play a lot of ! m atches

The fact that a jumor outfit like Mirz ipur held the grints till halt time. was in eye opener. This was the result of a strategy worked out by their coach Sinjib Mitri whereby Ashok Chatter jee (not to be confused with Moham med in S. (medio) played as a sweeper back to foil the opponents torays. The strategy worked in the first half and that it why they could



not score. But in the second half we played against a strong breeze and since this is a new bunch of boys they are immature. Sind coach Mitta. To be frank the ictual damage was done by Man is Bhattach irva who took full advantage of a weak left back in Prasanta. Die You can't expect wonders from a team which costs. Rs. 2,000. Other the side have a budget of several laboration is says the Mitzapur I mon coach. We have nothing—no shed no ground while the boys depend on the II A. dole.

Then there is the huge crowd we have to face. A slight mistake and that does it. Brickbut are thro in it u. We have to face all odd.

Mitra continued seriou l. Still the jumor teams do trained put up a good show. It is add that the centor stars should of an old example to the jumparathey provides the crowd in stead by gesturing at the opposition.

Did you see what happened when lett a

back Prasanta Das and Chinmoy Chat terjee collided in the process of tack ling? Prasanta is a junior player and he was pushed by both Akbar and Tapan Das Mind you, both of them are senior players. This was followed up with missiles being thrown at us from the green galleries. (Milan Dutta sought police help). A fine example this I really wonder what action the club official are going to take against the act of I as this in view of the promise made by the Big Three to the Chief Minister that any indisciplined player would be severely dealt with

The reaction of Mohammedan S Cofficial to the was that the Mirzapur boys set the trend Says the club assistant secretary Mr Saigal in the presence of a tew members. When referee Milus Dutta blew for an infilmement against a Mirzapur defender y ho tackled Akbar Mirzapur defender y ho tackled Akbar The referee should have shown him the yellow card. Acceed with regard to the be-



The Latif story

THE recent disclosure of the plight of former Olympian soc cer player, Abdul Latit, raised a lot of eyebrows among the country's football fraternity Latif claims to have been a member of the Indian team for the 1948 I ondon Olympics and is said to have donned Moham medan Sporting colours as well It is understood that he captained the black and white team between 1944 and 1949

At the moment, the trail Latif is a resident of Railpara Asansol He laments that his old club never compensated him for his playing days. There was a time when proven tootballers had to face real hardship but nowadays there is something for tootballers to look.

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The moot question is who is this Abdul Latif? Is he one of the five Latifs who played in Calcutta or he is just one of those who is trying to cash in on the famed name? To start with Swaraj Ghosh who was in cluded in the trial camp for the 1945 Olympics clearly stated that the name of Abdul Latif did not exist in the list of probables.

Now let's come to the five I itits One of them represented India at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics and played for Mohammed in Sporting Currently works with the LIC in Cilcutta In the Lortic a Latif donned local Bhowamipore Club colour and is now in Pakistan Then came the latit of the 1956 Melbourne Olympics football team the stout Hyderabid left back went over to Bombay played for Calte cliter led the Indian te im to the Pre Olympic toothall competition in Indonesia in 1960. He then went to the Rome Olympics under the leadership of P K Builtie and now holds a lucrative politing Pakistan International Audines

Ahmed Khin's brother Little was mother great footballer who played for the black ind white team for some time. Finally we come to the Latif of the Sixties who donned both Mohammed in S. C. and Moham Bagin colour. This ving half also donned India colours. The internal the internal time is the control of the Assam also purpose team the respiring champion of the C. I.

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A CORPESPONDENT



Ulaganathan scornd the match winner for Mohun Bagan against Sporting Union

haviour of Akbar and Tapan we were busy controlling the spectators of the green stands. We could not see what was happening on the field '

MOHUN BAGAN The packed to capacity crowd on the Mohun Bagan ground gave the home team a standing ovation a the Federation Cup winners made their muiden appearance on the maidan for their opening league en Lagement against lowly placed Bata S C Mohun Bagan were playing in a league encounter for the first time since the tragic episode that took place on August 16 last year, which had cost many lives and the players of both sides the officials and the spectators paid their respect to the departed souls by observing a minute's silence before the commencement of the

Those in the crowd who had come with high expectations of witnessing a crisp display from the champion club of India were sorely disappointed When the match was barely 12 mi nutes old star linkman Gautam Sarkar limped off the field and was substituted by Kesto Mitra Thereafter the responsibility of fashioning the attacks tell on right tlankman Surajit Sengupta and he did his job admir ably Time without number he sent in inviting centres but the absence of a player like Francis D'Souza who heads well was keenly felt Mihir Bose, after the exit of Gautam toiled earnestly and was rewarded with the first goal midway through the first half, when Ulaganathan raced down the left flank and centered Mihir was on the spot to head the ball in Shyam Thapa, too, contributed his mite, although age seems to be catching up with him. He scored a typical, opportu nistic goal, again midway in the second half when he latched on to a foward pass from Mihir and coolly placed the

ball beyond the reach of Sekhar Saha the Bata custodian He was unlucky once when his shot rebounded off the post Ulaganathan was a constant source of danger to the rival defence

In the midfield, Kesto Mitra play ing an unfamiliar role, was good in patches Sujas Bera showed promise and appeared to excel more as a tackler and snatcher than as an attack ing half. His attempt to score was frustrated on the goalline by a Bata defender two minutes from close. The four defenders Compton Dutta, Samar Bhattacharya, Subrata Bhattacharya and Shyamal Banerice were confident and raided the Bata territory at will Of them, Compton and Shyamal appeared to be in full flow One of Subrata's shots was saved by a Bata player on the goalline and the ball, after striking the crosspiece rebound ed into play Shivaji Banerjee at the Mohun Bagan goal was not tested at

The Bata players adopted crowding tactics and succeeded in keeping the score down to only two goals. Sekhar Saha in goal averted many dangerous situations and the Bita attacks centered around Sakti Mitra Bati were beaten but surely they were not dis graced

Mohun Bagan coach was far from satis fied with the performance of his play ers 'It's just that we won nothing more I do not blame the players fully They tended to relax after their tough matches in the Federation Cup and took things lightly on the Maidan

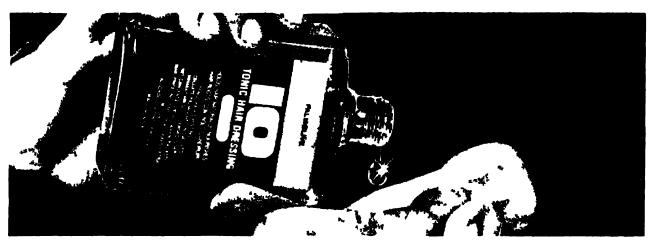
IN the next match, against Sporting LUnion they nearly paid the penalty for taking things lightly. They man aged to win by the narrowest of mar gins, thanks to a goal by Ulaganathan late in the second half There was some semblence of doubt about the goal It looked as though Ulaga was in I

an off side position when he scored "I do not want to criticise the decision of the referee as after all he is the best judge. The goal was scored because of a misunderstanding between my two stoppers, said Sporting Union coach

Dilip Paul

Questions can also be raised about the 'goal that was disallowed when Sporting Union shot into the lead in the first half itself Samar Bhat tacharva in trying to clear a long clearance slipped and there was no one behind him In darted Dipankar Thakur who crossed it over to Biren Das. The latter placed it neatly in the far corner of the net. It looked like a certain goal but to our surprise we saw linesman Jagadish Paul indicating that the player was offside. One found this decision difficult to digest. In cidentally when Mohun Bagan scored the winner the same linesman was involved at that end

Mohun Bagan gave a very listless display sadly missing the services of Gautam Sarkar who sustained a muscle injury Subisti Bhittachary i for no apparent reason, kept moving up and spoilt many a move. Had Sujas Bera not missed a sitter in the initial moments of the match, the story could perhaps have been different. Yes that changed the whole complexion of the match agreed coach Sankar Banerjee And when the players were not able to get the goal that was desperately needed their perform ance became worse and the game generally tended to be very scrappy None of the Bagan players caught the eye except Mihir Bose who worked hard and gave nothing away From the junior side, Tapan Sinha Roy a near veteran of Calcutta soccer was a tower of strength He executed a goal line save and nipped many an attack in the



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WILLS A-I VOLLEYBALL

Women's final reached great heights

EVEN though circumstances seemed to have conspired against it the Wills All India Volleyball Tournament held at the MCC court Margao, Goa recently provided exceptionally good fare with State Bink of India Madras and Fisterin Rulyays Calcutta stealing top honours in the men's and women's section to spectively

The unprecedented preponement of the coaching camp for the Asiad at Patiala and the outlawed UP Nation ils sparked off by inter association rivalry, made it impossible for leading teams to participate (their players) having to attend the training session which in turn had an adverse effection the Wills class. A competition

Making capital of an honorus quarter final berth the bankmen exuded scintillating form at the crucial stages upsetting favourities. Firupur Textiles, 11 in the semi-finits, and exacting revenge for two earlier deteats by Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (HMC) drubbing the latter 11 in the finals.

The SBI to am made the quarter tinal league phase despite losing to HMC at the knockout stage as the organisers confronted by a spate of last moment withdrawals of top Entries is well as a poor crowd turn out were hard pressed for Leen contests.

Star studded I istern Railways wiested the women scrown from Kera la whose fortune revolved around the versatile international Sally Joseph Although the competition was conspicuous by the absence of some top teams at nonetheless produced volley ball of a standard rarely witne ed in Goa, after the league phase

In the initial stages of the mensisection. Tirupur Textiles of Timil Nadu gave sterling performances against Post and Telegraphs. Delhi and Kerala Transport Company with internationals Mariswamy and Stedar an playing stellar roles. Both spiked with power and precision that brooked no return or diving in defence to keep the ball in play. But they could not reproduce their game against SBI in the semis.

The bankmen proved a wils lot tooling the Textilemen with dett place ments or varied lifts for skipper Ramalingham to blast the ball across the net through even the otherwise effective double block resorted to by their rivals

The women's final was a tumul tuous thriller that could probably be a 'dress rehearsal" of the Bangalore Nationals

Egged on by the 3,000 odd crowd, favourites Kerala bubbling with confidence and perhaps taking advantage of a strong wind blowing across the court rocketed to a 12 1 lead. Here scores stalled for some time before Rossama Kuril served three ices to put Kerala one altitud in just under eight minutes at 15 1.

Getting out of the initial setback Eastern Railways stirred the crowd into a frenzy when international Las mi Sikdar craftily flighted the ball inches above the net for spiker Sumita Devito whip it across with alterity and accuracy to take her side to a 156 win

The third set proved a roaring after with the spectators gooding Karda on to retaliation and as the game progressed they did make in impact. The Tables from the South pring to a 40 lead of mounted pressure up to 106 when the Rulway team taged a counter offensive to overtake their rivals at 1240. But Sall Joseph pur across some booming smashes to rally her side at a point short of victory. Calcutta. Ru hma field scores at 14. However, purried on by the riotous cheering of the crowd Kerala won at 1644.

twice in the earlier stages of the tourney

SBI reigned supreme attacking with strength and depth, and man oeuvering cunningly to find the vacant spaces for the killer smash Burly pivot Rajendra coolly controlled the flight of the ball to the top of the net to enable Ramalingam to slap it across with a round arm action or Sudaker to hammer the spheroid with a bulletlike low trajectory that raicly brought off a return

Hyder ibid graduilly came into the fray with a series of negative points giving them the needed impetus. But they conceded the let bactuse of disarray in their rinks chained up by the intelligent and deceptive moves of their rivils.

Moving close to the rect to provide in effective block ide the H derabad lids put up a concerted light in the shape of Anjanavelu and Ravi Kumar to stake their claim for a fourth set However, the bench strength of the bankmen and their tactical appreach six them through and they won 15.10 15.12 6.15 and 15.7

The poor standard of Goas osn teams was evident in their pathetic performance, both in the men's and



Esslen Hawas nota Lasm Suda eser ngihew strong from Ms CA e a wie o' Goas.

Und ninted I istern. Sumita Develone into her own and with some excellent spiking stretched the match into the fifth set. The decider was real riot with the croy dithrowing their lot in with Kerila Yet despite a lion he inted effort by Sally abetted by Geeta and Allikuty bringing off both brilliant smishes and returns the Calcutta combination of Sumita Devershina and Laxin spelled a winner

The semis in the women's section saw Post and Telegraphs packaged by Fastern Railways at 3.0. The latter's performances centered on internation at Usha. Devi who was assisted by Madhu and Kaur. Kerala on the other hand completely humiliated. Goadoing away with the services of their star Sally. Joseph. at one stage.

In sharp contrast the men's final was a dour affair to the chagiin of the Sunday crowd who saw SBI finally put one over HMC having lost to them

women's sections. I xcept perhaps for lone bittles wiged by Betty Seb istian (Cox) and Shar id Borear in the women and men's sections, respectively.

The tourn ment was conducted in such smooth manner that prompted team managers couches and even in ternational referee Mr. Nagendra to say aword of praise for the organisers Grace Recreational Center Hampered by a dormant Goa Volleyball Association-i one min show run by its secretary a blue eyed boy of the previous regime, it is indeed an achieve ment by the Grace Recreational centre that they put up such a good show According to a committee member - it is the very persons who pledge to promote the sport that let us down Ironically our own teams have made such monetary demands, which I am sure are inversely proportional to their performances

LESLIE ST ANNE Margao

All money and no play

Fat pay packets and a glittering golden trophy are not able to make the Tournament of the Champions at Forest Hills New York, a major tournament GEORGE K GEORGE reviews the \$592,000 event

NIVER have I witnessed such a medicare tennis tournament as Forest Hills list week Initially I won dered why do a story on the tourn a ment it ill There was hardly inv performance worth mentioning. Any way how about the miserable per tormance of the tournament itself? Interesting indeed to find out how the

Iournament of the Champions turned out to be a tourn ment of challengers. There was a lot of money in this tournament. It is one of the big money tournament by the WCI \$ 30 000 in prizes and \$ 292 000 in bonus with \$ 100 000 for the winner

bome players do not like to travel to distant venue in other countries even for a big per c money But at this stage of the circuit most of them were tortunately in the United State and New York one of the most teams or icities of the world should have attracted a few more top placer

In spite of the absence of indiposed Borg and Connor at had in impressive line up of top stars and a few talented youngsters. There were John McInroe Vitis Gerulum Jo e Im Clere Wortel Fibik Adrimo Pannatta Balaz Taroc v Victor Pecca Fliot Telt cher Johan Kriek John Sadri Brian Licher ind un ecited Vi 148 Americal And set at turned out to be a totally glamourless tournament

It had a few tunning upset. I ist ven s runner up John McInio and champion Cerul nti-were disposed off in their opening matches, fill I did not see much excitement in the plaers or the crossd

It had a surprise raint killer throughout Curlos Kurmayi 150 year old be uded Brighin knocked out McLinoe Bilay Tiroc v and Wortek Fibik to reach the finals. In his first three mitches he trailed after the first Lime but cime back with consistency to win. He also played and won four tie breakers and survived seven match points. Then he executed Fibak in straight cts 6.2 and 6.4 but his exploits did not bring much thrill

Kirmayr clime to the United States at the age of 1" to learn English as a rock singer. He wanted to sing the songs he understood. But he went intopro tennis before at iduation and has been a struggling player for nearly a decade. He is at his best on clay and is fast on his feet. These two factors gave. him the upsets at Forest Hills against | McEnroe gives for the ball at full stretch

places who are weak on clay But against Eddie Dibb a strong clay court player he lost in straight sets 6.3.6.2. I don't think we are going to hear about this player much more in the future. He will probably be remembered only is the spoiler at Forest Hill in 1981 and nothing more

John McI moe won the doubles terning up with Peter Flemming

The same of the same of the same and designations of the same and designations of the same and designations of There weren't too many strong pairs the field anyway McEnroe tryii hard to better his image came Forest Hills without his headband hi behaved like a real brat and the crosinstigated him all the more. He eviflexed his muscles at the crowd i

McEnroe insists that he did a tink I believe him But he overpri tised on the day before to familiari himself with the clay like surface the West Side Tennis Club It was ju a bad day for a consistent champion

But I can't say the same abou Vitas Gerulaitis Truc he has bee down with chicken pox-ind had playe only one tournament in everal week before the Tournament of the Chan pions like McEnroe her a local b and the crowd hates him to migorith home turn He do di appointed hi new couch Robert I insdrop who also I nev Au ting couch I thin more than physical tate or at a - h Lick of de ire and competitive spir-



Ith it huffs Gerulaffes game Two years in I had predicted that he might become America's No 1 tennis player and the successor of Jimmy Connors In jony is that the determined and the field Jumms is still way the id of committee who still remains just a 1 ndle of tilent

Iddie Dibbs reached the finals terring Jose Luis Clere and Johan Firek and labak. His performance vaemost impeccable. He idmit that he tel lost motivation and interest in the zime. I didn't pla very much list n and I didn't play very vell he Thad kind of lact interest I took it four week before this four it ment I meter teved home in Meaniel came e technic caer

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The tournament director Lamar Hunt admits that the event wal not a success. He feels that the tournament did not attract much attention or large crowds because of cold weather and the carly detect of top stars. However he is use that the event would continue at Forest Hills for many years

There is more to it than just cold weather and recouple of upsets. The kene is of the four imment itself tells

For de ide the US. Open was held it Fore t Hills. Three years no it wa mood o the National Tennis Centre in Hu Ju n. Me ideas just view mile is a WCL or and edge month tional tournament on 1979. List year Some others did not. Among them (the one of chancel to Tourna ment of the Chemoen Though Borg p veden ud Crnor veuperm j the protection. I found it to be a Luct atere ring and livel tenir c 111 1

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January and the U.S. Open. If it has to it better be good. A tourn iment which is not included in the ATP rinking may not attract too many top places just before Wimbledon With in weeks after Wimbledon they have to come back for the prestigious U.S. Open

They do not want the strain of a nine day tournament in which they could be knocked by iny have beens or would be soon a surface to which most of them are not used to Such upsets could affect their morale considerably is the prepare for Europe

The year there were 44 contenders. A number of them were called in it the last minute to fill the void created by the non-participation of top players. The rule of the competition is that only place who have won a tournament worth at least \$25,000 in the pro-encurty clarible to parties pate. The time there were one too. many exceptions Consequently attendance via very poor for the first even days of the tournament. To cite in example, the Amritraj Sadra matenwhich was the man event of the day drew only less than 250 people, while the finals was a 12 000 sear sell out in spite of live television coverage

Unless the tournament becomes part of the AIP ranking it will remain liteless and dull Right now only play ers who are interested in money or practice take interest in it Eddie Dibbs was very frank about it when he aid that money was the most importint thing for him in this tourn iment Even a young player like 21 year old McT Purcell, who reached the quarter final and after his prequarter win that this tournament was nothing more than a good preparation for the clay court tournaments in Lurope and a little extra exposure

To me that y is the only bright side of the Tourn iment of Champions 1951 It give considerable amount of exposure to young players like the world. voungest male tenna pro Jimm. Asias (10) Summy Crammaly (125) y how r the No 1 junior of the vorld between and Robbic Venter a South African student from the Uniterate of Californ mri Tos Angeles

It also brought to focus Mcl Purcell and krint killer Tritz Buchning (21) who be it Gerul utis Buchning orlds No 34 i 6tt 5 in till ind weich 195 pound has a powerful serse like that of Riscoe Tinner. In couple of vents Purcell and Buchning will be in the top briss of American tennis. They have a calm and contident approach to the game. Besides these young player. Carlos Kirm ish was the main beneficiary of this tournament. The iron a that most of them were fill in sho should not have placed here

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Brazil prove their mettle

ASHIS RAY reports on the friendly international between Brazil and England

A YIAR ago it was the Argenti mans at Wembley On May 12 this year at the same genue it was the Brazilians" turn to exhibit their wares The purpose a triendly international with Ingland

It was not the diffest of tests for Brazil the former world champions and permanent holders of the Jules Rimet Irophy since England as a national unit arrespective of the stature of her clubs has rather an indiffe rent record to fall back on especially it present Indeed the Englishmen are struggling to quality for the next World Cup and only an exception if performance in the remaining encounters can see them through to Spain On the date concerned moreover it less t eight of their regular player, were unavailable for duty as a result of injuries or more pressing club engage ments-a list which included among others Kevin Keegan Trevor Francis Tony Woodcock Kenny Samson ard Phil Thompson

Intriguingly enough though the mandatory infusing of fresh blood gave rise to one of the best displays put forward by England in the paltivear They fought tenacion by it times

even showing a touch of class, but they were up against a much superior side which, it not in the same category as the teams of 1958–1962 and 1970 nevertheless had all the attributes of Latin genius. The same combination thinshed second in the Mini World Cup in Uruguay earlier in the year and have already secured a spot in next year's World Cup finals. So, the score one nil—no disgrace—and the hosts could even claim the satisfaction of a near equaliser through debutant Peter Withe of Aston Villa towards the fagend of the proceedings.

So much for English sentiments. The tie was a clear opportunity for Europeans to gauge the Brazilians potential in the context of the ensuing World Cup Questions like. How good they are what brand of football they are currently following had cropped up and the answers were naturally being sought. They were provided with a response, but what they will make of it is a matter for conjecture.

England at home, it should be en phasised, are a tough nut to crack and it may be recalled that the talented Argentinians were sunk 31 in the

clash last year Even if one is to ignore this aspect, the jugglery and ball control, the clever exchange of short passes and the rousing spectacle of banana" shots had to be taken into account, and these are factors that must be considered and considered in right earnest by Brazil's prospective opponents. These ingredients, need less to mention, are synonymous with Brazilian soccer and quite noticeably the current lot are endowed with the gifts in full measure.

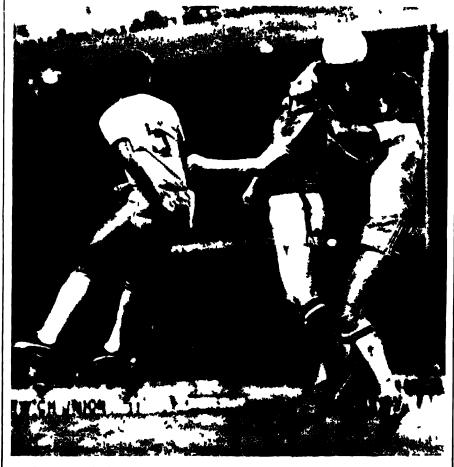
The names are no longer Pele, Garrincha, Santos, Rivelino or Jairzhino But Zico, Eder Reinaldo, Socrates Cerezo, Isidoro and Luisinho They are young, and significantly under instructions from Tele Santana to give full vent to their natural ability—a policy ceaselessly advocated by Pele but put into cold storage in the last two World Cups by the now deposed Claudio Coutinho

The goal scored by Zico against England in the eleventh minute was a beauty. The move wa initiated by the scorer himself when having just crossed over into the opposition half he swung the ball out to Edevaldo on the right flank the latter then ploughed past two detenders to send in a low cross to the top of the box where a ready and alert 7100 received turned and blasted the ball home. Although 1 m irvellously pre planned effort that last swivel and kack on the part of Zico while two defenders were on him was soccer of the highest order. Indeed it was no more than a half chance converted with ridiculous ease

Brazil ought to have gone two up by half time when Cerezo put Reinaldo through the middle. Alvin Martin desperately attempted to obstruct the centre forward but to no avail and the striker went on to beat R is Clomence captain for the night. However the referee overlooking the advantage awarded a free kick. Had it been an official meeting the incident might have created a major controversy.

Of course in the closing stages steve Coppell did test Sao Poulo sub stituting for Waldir Peres with a fierce right footer, which forced the custodian to fling himself horizontally to avert danger And Withe was fright fully unlucky when a grounder hit the upright But that phase was also made memorable by a left footed howitzer from Eder Released from 40 yards the shot kissed the crossbar, much to the relief of Clemence Struck with the outstep, and swerving almost like a boomerang, the drive had magic writ ten all over it A pity that it missed the target by inches

That, then is the character of Brazilian football today. It probably lacks a Pele, but then a Pele is not born in every generation. Perhaps, even absent is a player of the substance of Argentina's Diego Maradona. But there are ball players galore, at least a half dozen fine craftsmen good enough to confuse the world's best And it will be shock if they don't make an impression in the World Cup.



An absorbing tussle during the match

Swimmers are making waves

KLAUS M FIEDLER

FOLLOWING a short break the world top swimmers have begun to train for the next Olympics with a rises of traditional international competitions in the Netherlands I rance and the USSR Later in September Split Yugoslavia will be the venue of the European championships and in 1982 Concord USA is to host the eld championships. How will the i wing athlete shape up for these intests? What are the latest trends in he development of world swimming?

Dawn Fraser the Australian 100 m it estyle champion of the Melbourne Reme and Tokyo Olympics was a guest-I honour of the Olympi id 80 Organis ing Committee at the Moscow Games I cked her on the list day of the competition which achievements it he 1950 Games impressed her most

There were many surprising reult she said a fact which is doub they by contributed to by the swimming pool whose architecture is astounding it its beauty. Nonetheless I would ingle out the world record of Vladima Silmkov in the 1 500 m freestyle, the phenomenal time turn clocked by Barbur a Krause in the 100m freestyle and the performances turned in by the oung Rica Reinisch in the back troke

We can only concur with this view Diwn Triser named precisely those to ults which the sports world is still busing about even a year after the Microw Games because they expand ur perception of the bounds of human po sibilities

In the late 1950s Bob Kiphut the eminent US trainer and swimming

expert, predicted that he would live to see the day when the 100 m distance would be covered 15 times in a row in less than 60 seconds. He was laughed at then freestyle swimmers in the 1 500 had still not broken the 17 min barrier them Although Bob Kiphut did not live to see Vladimir Silnikov s record his prediction came to pass-14 58 27 was the time of the amazing ly well planned heat Even a few years ago it would have been considered an impossible dream

Barbara Krause's talent has long been tamous. Due to illness, she could not compete at the 1976 Olympics By the start of the Moscow Games her 55.41 sec in the 100 m freestyle was the world's best. Admittedly, she had ! been deteated a number of times in pre Olympic competitions. Caren Metschuck who is four years younger thin Birbari beit her older team mate in five our of six pre Olympic he its posting a time time in each of them

The experts wondered whether Bar bara would leave the Olympics with out a medil. The 21 year old athlete cast all doubts aside when she bested her own world record twice posting 54-95 and 54-79 seconds (Twent) ven 180 in Rome John Devitt covered this distance in 55.2 second good enough to give him the Olympic ntle

A ten words about Rica Reinisch She turned 15 last April She is a charge of trainer Uwe Neumann one of the GDR's most famous swimming coaches

The world record of 1 01 51 in the 100 m backstroke set in 1979 by Ulrikc Richter during team competitions in the GDR was for a long time consi dered one of the top world achieve ment in this event Everything indicated that this record would not be toppe in 1980 either But someone left out Rica Reinisch. In Moscow she negotiated this distance in 1 00 86! All one could do was ask a question that after a long time had finally become topical could women stop before the 60 sec mark in the 100 m backstroke. Rica Reinisch threw up this question, and it looks as though she's about the only one who can answer it. It is unfair however to concentrate this discussion on modern swimming on this kolden trio alone Suffice it to say that 21 world records were set in 1980 by sportsmen from all over the world

The teams of the GDR and the USA are traditionally strong. Now they are being chillenged by a tough Soviet te im which hauled in a helty bag of medals at the Olympics. Australia is once again on the leaders tracks, and Great Britain's awimmers are calling ittention to theniselves. The Swedes tre on the much (Olympic world champion in the 100 m butterfly Par Arvidsson was one of the bright spots of the Moscow tournament)

Hungary is calling to mind its for ner triumphs in swimming Poland produced it first Olympic medallist South American countries Brazil in puticular have excellent swimmers Canada's Peter Schmidt set a new world record in the 400 m freestyle The IRG has in interesting swimmer in In a Beverin inn who for the time being is competing in I uropean cham pien hip in the junior division

Symmul his never been so popular stated Anter Lambos Yugo livers the new president of the International Amateur Swimming Fed cration and we can't help agreeing

Iwent one world records in 1980 ite only the tip of the ice beig Swim ming is making rapid progress not only in term of records set but also in terms of the names which are appear me on the let of the top athletes For comple of the ten best times to date in the men 200 m freestyle relay nine were set in 1950. The same picture is true for the men's medley it is common knowledge that precisely the telays mirror the work of national federations most fully. It can thus be contidently stated that the forthcom inclea on promises swimming fans lots of exciting action with plenty of new records and new names



My most memorable moments

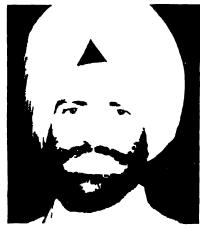
HARCHARAN SINGH

URING the first half of the Seventies the Indian hockey team had, in its ranks, a gem of a left winger in Harcharan Singh, who would carry the ball straight up to the rival's striking circle and then send down a cannon luke cen tre After making his international debut against the visiting Kenyans in early 1969 he was an automatic choice in the Indian hockey team for years His career, which culmin ated with the 1976 Montreal Olym pics, included three World Cups, two Olympic Games and two Asiads besides tours to Singapore and New Zealand Harcharan, who was born on January 15, 1950 at Marar in the Gurdaspur district of Punjab, was also a member of the IHF "Dark Blues" team which participated in Bombay International Hockey Tournament in 1970 For his meritorious services to Indian bock ey, he was honoured with the "Ar juna Award" for 1977 78 He is now a Captain in the Army Service Corps

In my early days my first love was athletics It was only because of my eldest brother Piara Singh that I took to hockey He had impressed upon me that hockey was a much more valuable sport than athletics. I started representing my school in the Seventh Standard Later, I went on to captain my school as well as college teams. My college Sports College, Jullundur has produced quite a few international players. During my stay in college, I also played for the Punjab University in the Inter Varsity Hockey Championship in 1968 69. But while I was a student, I never neglected my studies I secured a first division in my Matriculation and went a step further by standing first in my college in the B. A examination Immediately after doing my graduation. I joined the BSF as a Sub-Inspector in March, 1969

Sub-Inspector in March, 1969
After the 1969 Nationals held at Ernakulam where I was a member of the Punjab team, I was called upon to play for India against the visiting Kenyan team—who were on their way home after participating in the Lahore tournament A gainst the Kenyans, India were virtually rebuilding their side as many of the players who represented the country at the Mexico Olympics had called it a day I made my international debut on March 16, 1969 in the first "Test" at Amritsar which undoubtedly was a red letter day for me This "Test" and the

next one at Bombay ended in draws But the third "Test" at Ahmedabad ended in a victory for India Although the match winner was scored by Tarsem, the spadework was done by me The final "Test" at Jullundur went India's way and we thus clinched the series 20



After playing in the internation al in 1970, I was selected to repre sent India in the 6th Asian Games at Bangkok which was again a memorable moment for me This also happened to be my first tour abroad At Bangkok, in the first two matches against Singapore and Ceylon, (now Sri Lanka) the going was rather easy and we did not have to exert ourselves at all Malaysia gave us a tough time but we romped home with a 20 win In the India Japan semi final encour ter Japan's goalkeeper Satokazu Otsuka played his heart out that day and restricted India to just one goal and we were through to the final where we were to play Pakıstan

The Pakistan team included stal warts like Tanvir Dar Khalid Mahmood, Asad Malik and up and coming Rashid and Shahnaz Ours was a young side but we were not at all overawed by the opposition and were determined to launch a do-or die battle And believe me, we had the experienced Pakistan side huffing and puffing We tried our level best but the ball just would not go into the goal As fate had it, Pakis tan clinched the gold medal by a "sudden death" goal

"sudden death" goal
In the First World Cup at Barce
lona in 1971 the only match we lost
was the semi final against Pakistan
Here once again Dame Luck de
serted us and we were beaten 12

By the way, this was also the first time in the matches between the two countries that the side which had taken the lead first did not win the match In the Munich Olympics, I was played in only three matches Well, the team's coach, the late K D Singh "Babu" had his own ideas

On my return home from Munich I left BSF to join the Officers' Training School at Madras I also decided to stop playing competitive hockey till I completed my training But that was not to be I was special by summoned from Madras to play to the Services in the Nationals at Bombay in 1973

My love for the game was so intense that I just could not help playing for the country in the Second World Cup if I was selected I skipped the first phase of the coaching camp at Patiala After playing at Amsterdam I did accompany the team to France but cancel led the trip to Argentina as I felt that I was missing a great deal back home at the OTS I kept myself away for almost half of the training period and for this reason I had to burn the midnight oil but even then, I passed out by securing the third position in my batch

Between the Tehran Asiad and the Third World Cup, there was a period of hectic activity. After playing for the Indian VI against the All Star Asian XI in a nine match scries came the coaching camp at Chandigarh I would regard the two matches against West Germany and Malaysia at Kuala Lumpur as the the best of my career. The goal that I scored against Argentina—in the match that India lost—was my most memorable one. I moved on to the right flank and scored from almost a zero angle.

I do not know what suddenly went wrong with the team at Mon treal We had defeated New Zea land, who ultimately won the gold medal, twice in the practice match es at Toronto prior to the Olympics

I was invited for the final coaching camp for the Fourth World Cup but I turned down that offer as I was busy preparing my self for the promotion examination

After the 1978 Nehru Hockey Tournament I bade goodbye to competitive hockey because I thought that the time had come for me to concentrate whole-heartedly on my career

As told to SUDEEP RAJ SINGH BATRA

A Street Land

Sportspeople

Partners in prime

DETWEEN themselves, V Sivar Damakrishnan and K Srikkanth shared three three-figure opening partnerships in the last Ranji season Sivaramakrishnan, partnering stand in opener N P Madhavan, registered another century partnership for the first wicket And at the end of the season, Sivaramakrishnan had an average of 88 86 (second, in the all India averages, behind Aunshuman Gaekwad) and an aggregate of 622 (again, second, behind Ghulam Parkar) Srikkanth was placed third in the national averages with 76 33

Easily the most prolific opening partners in the last domestic season, Sivaramakrishnan and Srikkanth are studies in contrast Sivaramakrishnan, senior of the two, is left handed and when going great guns, brings into play all the elegance associated with a southpaw Even though he has been a heavier scorer than his dashing young opening partner, Siva's performances often get relegated to the background in the face of the slap bang pyrotechni ques of the youngster at the other end of the wicket Siva is solid and sedate. the kind of batsman who waits for the bad ball while Srikkanth believes in swinging his bat at anything burled at him, so to say And touch wood, Srik kanth has more often than not got eway with it!

Sivaramakrishnan opened the 1980-81 season with a bang, and did not look back 165 against Kerala and 177 against Andhra apart from three half centuries Against Haryana in the quarter finals he came close to getting his third Ranji hundred this season but was run out at 95 Srikkanth scored one century—172 in just 204 minutes—against Karnataka and had four knocks over the half century mark

The duo put on 145 runs against Hyderabad, 129 versus Karnataka and 165 against Haryana Sivaramakrish nan put 179 for the first wicket against Andhra with Madhavan who came in as a replacement for Srikkanth, when the latter was busy with his examina tions mid season

The only time the Tamil Nadu open ing pair failed was in the semi final against Bombay and on that occasion, Bombay won their ticket into the final on the basis of their first innings lead

The nearest Sivaramakrishnan who incidentally is the younger brother of Hyderabad's "unlucky' off spinner V Ramanarayanan came to playing for India was when he was selected to attend the conditioning camp in Madras before the Indian team to tour New Zeiland ind the West Indies (1977) was selected Srik kanth is being talked of a Tet prospect Whatever their future vis a vis playing for the country is the two batsmen should serve Lamil Nadu for some more seasons to come

A man of true culture

MR Rameshwar Dayal who died of Cancer in a New Delhi hospital on May 10, will be remembered as a man who, as secretary of the Delhi Olympic Association for about two decides gave this city of 'babus' a sound organisational base and a distinct atmosphere. It was during his years at the helm that Delhi had the privilege of welcoming such world figures as the Czech Human Locomotive. I mil



Zatopek, and the 'Vaulting Parson' Bob Richards of the USA not to speak of the late Jesse Owens

Mr Dival who belonged to an age of grace. And gracefully did he fade out of the limelight following a long innings. Among the various posts he held during a lifetime of service to sport was president of the Gymnastics. Federation of India and vice president of the Asian body. He not only led the Indian contingent to the Kingston Commonwealth. Games but also visited the Olympic and Asian Games from 1952 to 1972.

Ver, tew of the vounger generation I new that he was a very skilful hockey player in his youth having represented Hindu College and Delhi University before visiting Hungary in 1936 as a coach—the first time that Indian hockey expertise was exported He studied physical education at Glasgow for three years and later served as director of physical education in the Delhi administration

Like most men in power for long Mr. Divil also had his share of brickbats some of them quite nasty. But the man never lost his poise. The nastur the criticism the sweeter the smile he had for those who hurled it at him. A man of culture, Mr. Daval accepted critics as part of the set up. Indian sport could do with more men of true culture.

What the late Anthony De Mello was to Indian sport the younger Rameshwar Dayal in time became to Delhi sport Both were dovens in their respected spheres. The latter like many others in Indian sports officialdom, profited a lot from their association with Mr De Mello who was the man behind the first Asian Games at the National Stadium Having been closely associated with the birth of the Asiad movement it would have given Mr Daval a special pride and joy to see the Games return to his beloved Delhi next year Alas that was not to be It is now left to the present Asiad organisers to devise a way to honour the pioneering men of the movement who are no longer alive



South African and international cricketer. Barry Richards, recently married his Australian frances in the Old Fort Chapet in Durban. Only a few good friends were present. The couple met in Perth eighteen months ago. Barry and his wife are still undecided where they will settle.

News round-up

Scheme for Asiad

JABALPUR Some top industrial sts of Madhya Pradesh - who wish to remain anonymous-have expressed their desire to suggest through Sport sworld an excellent scheme to the Government by which the 1942 Asi in Games would become an economic bonanza by involving the entire na tion's participation. They have sug gested an Asiad lotters housing scheme for sportmen's benefit for 12 months beginning from October 1981 till October 1982 This would le ive the Government two months time be fore the start of the Games to assess the gross income from the proposed lottery

With the commencement of this lottery, the Government should also announce that every sportsman repre senting Indi i in the Asiad would be entitled to a house costing approx imately Rs 1 lakh eich. I his would have two advantages. Firstly, there would be the entire nation's participa tion by way of lottery to the success of the Asiad Secondly each and every sportsman would have to vie for a place in the team and as such the players would take the coaching camps seriously and should not be led away by club attliations. The Govern ment should turther announce that all the gold silver and bronze recipients (individuals as well as team games) would also be awarded cash prizes of Rs 50 000 Rs 25 000 and Rs 15 000 respectively. This would be in addition. to a house each

Furthermore the money saved after expenditure of the entire Games plus the incentives mentioned above should then be equally distributed to all associations or as chalked out by the All India Council of Sports. The scheme mentioned above would raise the standard of our none too in terested sportsmen.

The industrialists point out that all private enterprises pay enormous emoluments to their employees and in return they extract the maximum amount of work and output from them If such a scheme is put into practice then our established sportsmen would have to put in 1 do or die effort, even in coching camps or other tournaments against some sprightly youngsters be cause the Asiad would mean a perma nent security for them by way of a house worth a lakh of rupees as well as cash awards. If such a scheme is started in right earnest not only for the forthcoming Asiad but also for the Los Angeles Olympics then there is hope that India would come out with flying colours in the international are na But this scheme should not be applicable to professionals so that a sense of national pride of having play ed for the nation and brought glory to her is inculcated in our sportsmen

This would encourage parents to send their children to play games right from the school level. Finally, each and every game even archery, would envelope a sense of security for its sportsmen.

SUIFFIMOHANTY



Sweden's Tommi P im seen in action during the Tou de Romandie which he won in Geneva recently

Bad arrangements

CHANDIGARH Western Railway, served by half a dozen internationals became worthy winners of the inaugu ral Maharaja Ranjit Singh All India Women's Hockey Tournament in the centenary year of the Sikh ruler of

Punjab, when they defeated star studded Punjab Reds 3.1. In fact, the victory was never in doubt as while Punjab with five internationals in their ranks appeared off colour and jided unlike the previous day, when in the semi finals they squarely bear inciter good Bombay outfit. Western Railway moved like a well oiled machine. They dominate the proceedings throughout.

Punjib Red who assembled in a hutt and arrived without much practice did make some solo efforts, one of which ultimately resulted in a penalty stroke go il. It was indeed Western Rillwiss dis it the Sector 18 Hockey Stadium. They had almost won the match before the start because of the ibsence of two important members of the Punjib squad. That some other Punjab internationals have left the field in recent days is in itself a story. But the absence of Nisha Sharma and Kiran Sharma idid lessen the killer instinct of the squad.

The teams were lodged in third class surroundings in a hall of the Panchay at Bhaw in It would not be out of place to mention here that while one big hall had as many as three teams squatting on its floor two others. Pepsu and Harvana had to be lodged in the office of the Punjab Sports Director ate. As usual, there were no arrangements for food for the players and the were allowed a miser by Rs. Sper player per day to make their own air angements. That some of the teams did not have either coaches or managers is only part of the story of official apathy towards sports.

The only te im which participated to utter was Northern Railway which tound it elt pooled with Punjab. Of course not much was expected from the Punjab Whites comprising some up and coming stars Pepsu notwith standing the courage they had shown by appearing in Chandigarh without a coach or a manager tailed in the league matches. That the national champions of the Sixties and early Seventies should suffer such a fate only indicates a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the managers who had not long ago given to the country the Saini 515EE E 5

SATI HEUMAR

Beauty, speed....

CALCUTTA Beauty speed technique and violence prevailed at the Netaji Indoor Stadium when 150 judo has (exponents of the martial art called judo) representing 17 clubs from 12 States clashed in unarmed combat at the first All India Amateur Judo Championships recently

Prominent amongst the coaches and judges was Mr Morio Suganami (5th Dan, Black Belt) Mr Suganami hails from Fukoshima Prefecture (near Tokyo), and was till recently Chief Coach at the NSNIS, Patiala, being here on the cultural exchange

programme Before returning to Japan, Mr Suganami expressed his sincere regard for Indian judokas, cricket, hockey and Vijay Amritra

Also present were Mr Deepak Tilak (3rd Dan) from the Judo Federation of India. He initiated the proceedings

Mr J G Sharma (2nd Dan), Chief Coach of the Patiala team, Mr Rajiv Vats (2nd Dan), Chief Coach of the Punjab team Mr Tony Lee (Black Belt and NIS coach of the Calcutta Judo Club), and Mr Yoshida, a Japanese 2nd Dan and Mr Tapan Bakshi Secvof the CJC were other notables

Mushtaq Ahmed of the Calcutta Judo Club glorified city. State and self by winning the Open (Men 5) trophy indregistering one of his team's two victories in the final overcoming Rajesh Vasant of Pune in the tem event Dip Saha was Calcutta's second hero throwing Govind Ram to the mat then relentlessly pinning him there for the necessity 30 seconds.

Yoshida Morio Suganami Rajis

Vats and Deepak Tilak had the spec

titors gisping in awe as they threw
each other to the ground in a variety of
wiss and immobilized one another in
a number of deadly locks

Fall and lissome Berth (D Souz) of Nagpur prevailed in the over 50 kg's Women's Individual event, while petite Sonia of Punjab triumphed in the below 50 kg, group

It was victory for the Calcutta Judo Club and kudos to Fony Lee Miss Anita Bag al of the Calcutta Judo Club besides being be jutiful plays soccer with the men (I saw her keeping go al ind complaining that she could not pray in the forward line because of an injury sult inted before the tournament

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A question of identity

, JABALPUR Who is Biplon Dutta alias Kalyan Das? This is allegedly the biggest case of fraud in Madhya Pradesh football Kalyan Das an out standing left in who is not in school played for MP in both the Junior Nationals (under 19) and Sub junior Nationals (under 15) last year

But this year in the recently concluded Subroto Cup in Delhimeant only for school teams-Kalv in Das played for Naveen Vidhy a Bhavan School Jabalpur allegedly in the name of Biplon Dutta and with his superlative performance his school team reached the Subroto Cup semi finals It however did not end there He became one of the recipients of a scholarsh p of Rs 501 for being oneof the promising players in the tourna ment Furthermore he has been in vited to the all India School's coaching camp as one of the up and coming players But since then, the boy has



Hungarian Feren Szekeres winne of the inith annual Amsterda n International Marathon holds a bouquet of flowers as he crosses the finish line at the Dutch capital's cent at Dam Square The bespectacled 34 year old athlete covered the 42 km and 195 metres in a hill in 11 sec.

gone into his shell and refuses to meet correspondents. But then, whose fault is this?

If this is tric, and schools—which are supposed to pave the way for moral uplift and also to improve stan dards—stoop to such a low level, then what impact will such incidents have on the different State associations?

After all, what are we doing to check the evils of fielding overage players in

the Subroto, sub junior and junior tournaments, Medical check ups which have been introduced in the Junior Football Nation ils this year have resulted in some of the best players of the MP team being debar red for being over ige. The result was that the team which played in the quarter finals at Gauhati last year lost in the earlier round this year. In fact, it is because of such malpractices of fielding overage players in the school sub junior and junior level that no real talent can be spotted. All this started because of gross negligence of the tootball bosses in the State who were busy settling their own intighting which had been dragged to the court ot law

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Pension for Haryana sportsmen

CHANDIGARH Hary and recently be came the second State after Punjab in this region to introduce the old age pension for sportsmen. Four out of seven sportsmen who had applied for the grant of a litelong pension-rang ing between Rs 100 and Rs 300 per month-have been selected. Others who think they are eligible for this can apply it any time. Those selected are Olympian wiestler Bakshish Singh, 63 who particip ited in the 1956 Olym pics Haritam 61 who participated in the Tokyo World Wrestling in 1961 Grin Prikash 64 member of the 1939 Aigh inistan India hockey Test and tin illy Sunder Singh 64 who secured first position in the 1956 National Wrestling Championships

I wo others who had applied for the pension but were found ineligible are wrestler. Devi Singh who participated in the 1956 Olympics and veter in Gulab Singh. According to an official spokesman neither of them fulfil the conditions laid down by the depart ment. The former is under age (56) while the latter veter in a claim was not recognised as the veterans meet at New Jealand did not have any nation allor international importance.

The Sports Department does not have any idea about the number of those who would qualify for the pension amidst tight rules but it is claimed that there might not be any one left out. They base their argument on the fact that all district sports officers have been asked to look for qualified persons and forward their names to the directorate. Incidentally some of the rules have come in for criticism like the one about the income of the individual pegged at Rs 500 from all sources.

I ven the Governor recently pleaded that when the pension was being granted on the basis of perform ance on the field income should not be made a criterion. However, every one agrees that no former star will be allowed to die of hunger.

SATISH KUMAR

CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Badly hurt bowler hit fast hundred

England ever had and added. For all too short a span before injury reduced his effectiveness, he was an exciting cricke ter -the best really fast bowler we had produced for many years, a batsman of whom one might say that however low he went in no match was irredeemable lost until he was out for the second time and one of the finest mid offs an one could remember

QUESTION — The high praise was for whom?

"Worst thing I ever did"

The manager of a South African team playing a Test against England arrived late at Edgbaston to find the score board. reading 100 runs for two wickets

A time start - a really time tart " he ob creed with no small satisfaction. Somt one had to break the bad news that it was his team a second innings. South Mrica sere following on after having been dismissed in 45 m inutes for 30lowest total ever made in a Test Match in England

When the South Mrit insolved with in England total of 438, batted a second time in a simbid to scoid in inning deteat he took 5.83. At the time he was an out tinding title ler but he was robbed of his soutpace in in incident it. The O at own after he proclamatic performance. As un Ethe South African. While he is a batting for Gentlemen. ignin tPlace abill for a Wolcester bowler to cottagood length and truck him o cr the heart

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The Gentlemen followed on shad fost 207 and appeared sell beaten when the injured player came in to score 112 in 90 minute, and help add 134 for the last wicket

Recording the incident, John Arlott has written. This innings, which changed in entire game between some of the tine tiplayers in the land, added to the brui ing over his heart, has been held respon ible for the trouble which within a few days was virtually to end his career as a fast bowler.

Some years later the England captain writing about his decision to bat in that second innings rucfully admitted. It was probably the worst thing Lever did He was never able to bowl really fast again and when he captained England in Australia his 10 wickets in the Tests cost

him 51 9 runs each Wisden described him as one of the most popular and inspiring captains On a tour of Australia and New Zealand an England captain played 12 innings before managing a 50-yet finished the tour on top of the averages and with the highest aggregate

So discouraging were his performances in the Test matches in Australia that he telt obliged to stand down after scores of 6 and 27 2 and 20 and 8 and 2. But he returned to the Test scene to record hi highest innings in first class cricket and to beat a Test batting record that had tood incobetors the turn of the contury higher core boun England up tun in Australia

The previous captain's best of six 50.5 Stoddart 177, then the highest core to Towland it Test has no need to C Grace 170 in 1896.

The captain who exted the record from Slodd irt. set in 1894-95 articl ni-reciptured bitting form to New Colland making a total of 240 for once out in the first of a to a Test cric he top cored

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In the first New Zeal and Test he batted tor 51 hours and hit 25 boundaries in

hat Wilden described as a day ling. di play With Keith Fletcher (216) he put on 266 for the fourth wicket a record tor England New Zealand Tests

QUESTION Who was the England captain and what did he score to break Stoddart's record?

Highest Test score against Australia by an England captain—in England or Au stralia -is 240

The record was set at Lord's and the 240 remains the highest score by any Eng land player against Australia on that ground

The England captain batted for over six hours and hit 32 fours in a display which prompted the Wisden tribute His straight off and cover driving were mag nificent he moved to meet the ball with the case of a master

The progressive story of an historic innings is told in these excerpts from a biography of the England captain

- Seventy at lunch be autifully in command relaxed and serene
- Atteal Steady as Gibraltar, 140 not out- 70 before lunch 70 after an excellent symmetry In the last session, precisely 70 more to the other next 70s * It was as if he added to the irtist signace a mathe matician precision
- He field the la tover of this racking day and played it coldly and forcefull as a maiden. Living the hall dead. under his nose with uncompromising tinality

The biographer Ronald Ma on quoted Cardus All day he had carried a burden. and with a cidm which hid from uithe weight and magnitude of it. He came to his 200 as casily and as majortically as a -liner coming into port

Next day by climbed to greater height. He unloosed a violent barrage of his fine t scoring shot. He idded 30 in 20 magnificent minute making his total 240 before losing his leg stump to a paceman. The enormous Siturday crowd begin their appliance before the bails haid concome to real the roaring reclamation continued and interacted a hercoaded from the sicket in t then occurred the rare spont in coaand extraordinarily moving by this with which cry toware honoured the Lord pavilion rose a one manand gave him standing ovation that no one dictate but that is implathe instincti i corporate tribute of an idmining company to a performance that their blood has told them is worthy of this very special and disting uished recolade

QUESTION Who was the England captaın receiving this accolade?

QUESTION

-Who is the only player to have captained England on his only appearance in Test cricket?

Answers next week

Quiz

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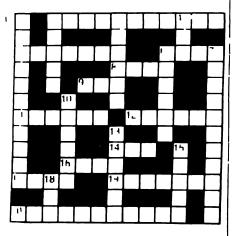
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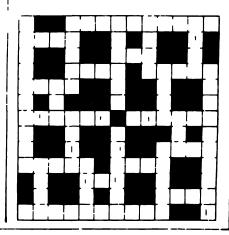


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- Not unders in cricket (5)
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- Italian motor cyclist of the 40 s and 50 s (6,
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- 15 Half time sees sportsmen nibbling at this cytrus fruit (1 4)
- India's national game climbs without a key (3)

(Solutions next week)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD 101



Question box

K Chatterjee Utterpara

Q When and where did Deepak Shodhan make his Test debut? Did he make any record in the Test?

A Deepak Shodhan first played for India in the 5th Test vs Pakistan at Calcutta in 1952 53 when he made a record of scoring a century (110) on debut

Q When and where was the first cricket ball bowled? (i.e. played) What was the date and year?

A The first Test cricket ball was bowled on 15th March 1877 at Melbourne by Alfred Shaw of England to Charles Ban nerman of Australia

Q When where and against whom M L

Jaisimha make his Test debut? What is his career record in Tests?

A M L Jaisimha made his debut for India in the second Test vs England at Lord's in 1959 and since then he played in 39 Tests in which he scored 2056 runs ω 30 68 and captured 9 wickets in 92 11 Q is there any instance in the Test cricket where a bowler has captured 6 wickets off 6 balls?

A No

Q What are the maximum runs scored in orie over in Test cricket and by whom? A 25 off an 8 ball over by B Sutcliffe (19) and R W Blair (6) of New Zealand off H J Tayfield of South Africa and 24 off a 6 ball over by A M E Roberts of West Indies of I T Botham of England and J F M Morrison of New Zealand off Imran Khan of Pakistan

Ashok Nayak, Anandpur

What is the date of birth of Kapil Dev? 6 1 1959 at Chandigarh

Against whom where and when did Sunil Gavaskar make his debut? A Sunil Gavaskar made his Test debut in

the 2nd Test vs West Indies at Port of Spain in 1970 71

Q Who were the first victims behind the wicket for Alan Knott Wasim Bari Der ryck Murray Rodney Marsh Syed Kır manı?

A Knott dismissed K Ibadulla of Pakistan by catching Wasim Bari dismissed C Milburn of England by catching Murray dismissed M J Stewart of England by catching Marsh dismissed G Boycott of England by catching and Kirmani dismis sed B E Congdon of New Zealand by stumping

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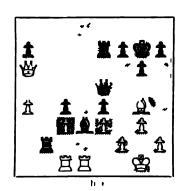
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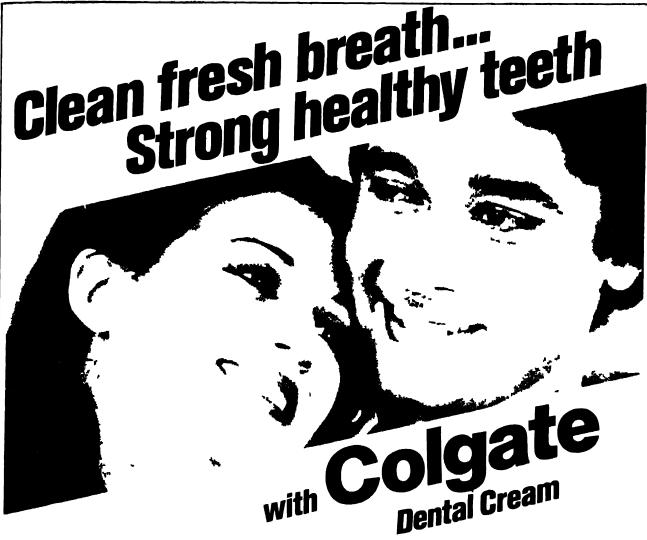
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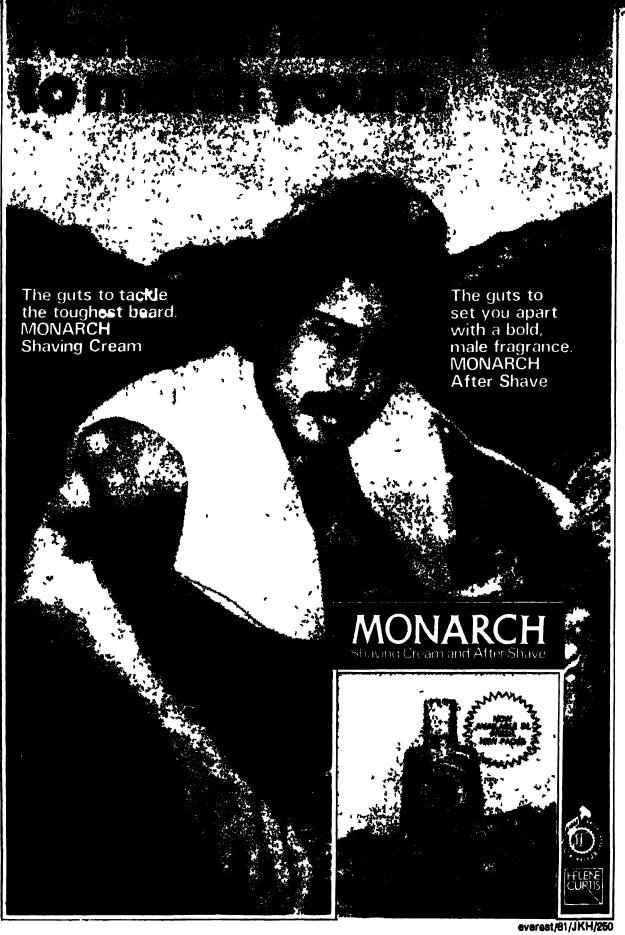


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Prix circuit DAVID McMAHON and ASHOK KAMATH met
VIJAY AMRITRAJ to find out the implications of this move



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Letters to the Editor

Are cricketers pampered?

THE cover story was but one in the series of anticricket crusades by your magazine What do ou real ly gain by whipping up such anti cricket Sentiments? The view of Gurbux Singh that cricket is a rich man's game is just ivery tower thinking His contention that cricket does not deserve publicity because it i played by only six nations must be one of the most narrow minded ittitudes any so called sportsman can harbour It must also be drawn to his notice that India has performed con is tently well in the Seventies with series victories over England and West Indies on tour Is he ignorant of Indias performance at Port of Spain The Oval and at Mel bourne-to nime just i tew? On the other hand what have our hockey teams achieved since the Sixties apart from the devalued Moscow gold a game in which precisely six nations took part?

Does Gurbus know what it means playing a Test for five days six hours a day? The talk about the mones and jobs our cricketers get being out of proportion is absurd. Why does Gurbus want to cut the pockets of cricketers to ensure a better deal to other sportsmen?

VIIAY CHORGHADI

CTRBL'S SINGH the hock exister has said that the cricketers are molly coddled. I would say that they are pampered but what he seems to have torgotten is that the Cri Control Board.

happens to be the most dis ciplined and organised sports organisation in the country and if they pay their players Rs 10 000 plus per lest why should anyone object? He should very well know that the IHF or for that matter BHA, are orga nisation with officials who may not be straight (I hap pen to be a Calcutta hockey pliver) Alo he being a senior player why did he not stop playing for his country it the Government could not keep it's commit ment-that is the land promised to him in 1964 lastly cricket is a profes sion il gime hockey being in imiteur sport Gurbux Singh should rally all the players and form a profes sional sport body—maybe the money will pour in! 1ROOP KUMAR

OP KUMAR SI NGUPTA Calcutta

I we glad to see Ashok Mink id coming out of his shell to write the article We support him in his effort to impress upon our non Test pliving first class cricketers to wake up from their slumber and knock at the doors of parity. This is the time for them to challenge the Fest cricketers. If they don't, A hok's voice would die down is a mere display of self pity.

SUNDAR Bingalore

Sound planning needed

ENOUGH has been written and printed about the last twin tour of India to Australia and New Zealand An and should now be put to all the post mortem reports It high time that we have a look at the forthcoming tour of England in India

On paper the 16+1 cricketers who toured the

With the steep rise in the cost of newsprint, we have no option but to raise the price of SPORTSWORLD from Rs. 1.50 to Rs. 2 with effect from this issue. We regret this rise but we hope you will understand our difficulties.

However, we pledge to continue the service to sport and to you that we started with our very first issue. And as we go along we will add to the special exclusive features that made you turn to SPORTSWORLD in the first place.

two countries look assencedemough Add a few more names and on paper you have a team capable of ranking with the best in the world The batsmen are cap able of scoring runs as they have done in the past The bowlers have more often than not delivered the goods As a team they have beaten the best when put to the text So where is the problem. To make them perform a little more consistently all you need is sound planning

Follow the Australian tour of England closely, spot the weaknesses of the Fn glishmen and then exploit them Next having reached a few conclusions of our own implement them Ghavri seems no longer capable of supporting Kapil in the opening attack, so get a new seamer Madan Yograj Valson are waiting on the sidelines Get them working with Kapil so that they can complement rather than contradict him

There is no dearth of spinners in the country It will certainly be interesting to see whom the selectors finally choose

As the saying goes too much of even a good thing is bad—be it winning all the time. Leave a margin for losing let the batsmen who can only lose or draw a match, sort themselves out.

Here's a suggestion at the end How about this team for starters (in batting order) (savaskar, Chauhan Sriniyasan Yashpal Patil kirti Azad, Kirmani Shastri, Kapil Yograj Doshi Think about it!

NEERAJ GARG, SNEHLATA GUPTA New Delhi

THE views expressed by renowned journalists on the recently concluded twin tour to Australia and New Zealand by India shows how fickle minded they are

I would like to ask them to just check up the record books and see which country has performed well in these countries except for the tour by the West Indies to Australia last year Going by that standard, India's performance was credit able Gavaskar and Vish wanath, of course failed to a certain extent, but you cannot expect them to go on playing superbly continuously

NANDA KUMAR, Dehu Road Nowadaye there is a strong argument about the balance of the present West Indian cricket team Some say they lack variety in bowling while others in sist that a spinner has no place in the team. This statement needs some thought.

VOIV HOLDER

Consider the case of the four pronged pace attack first. The four men are of contrasting styles by any standard Andy Roberts is a master of variation with exceptional control over pace line and length. Joel Garner, with the help of his height, gets the ball to rise dangerously into the bats men from any spot on any pitch. He also bowls swin gers. In short, his deliveries have a seaming effect.

Thus Andy Roberts and Garner are performing double duty for their team—as fast bowlers and at the same time as seamers Michael Holding, the fastest in the world, destroys his opponents with sheer speed. He is capable of uprooting the strongest batting order Colin Croft with the aid of his peculiar run up and his own heighs brings yet another dimension to quick bowling.

Now take the case of spin bowling At no time in their history did the West Indians sacrifice a batsman's spot for the inclusion of a spin ner A Sobers or even a Lance Gibbs were able to hold fort against the best bowlers of their time Of course, the former was the best batsman of his time There were several inst ances when Gibbs added stability to his teams bat ting performance As Gibbs was nearing the end of his career Richards found his place in the team. He used to bowl occasional spells during his early years. Now he cannot be called an occa sional bowler for he is bowl ing at least 3 or 4 overs in every innings these days and he is taking wickets too (like Chappell) His bowling may be gentle, but it is meeting the demands quite often A forceful inclusion of another spinner is to be done at the expense of a batsman, in which I think. the West Indians are not interested Take note, Indi ans! After all, the runs scored is the prime factor of any type of cricket

West Land to the distribution in it—fast bowling, seaming effect, spinning—plus their lightning reflexes on the field Even the No 11 in the present side is a capable batsman

JACOB PHILIPOSE VIL LOTHU, Kuwait

The best?

Is this West Indies team really as good as it is being made out to be? First and foremost, they have the longest tail in the business and their batting stops at number seven The batting is heavily reliant on Viv Richards Their bowling attack with four seamers and no spinners lacks balance Teams lose to the West Indies because of psychological reasons If they tried hard enough, they would beat the Windies

DEEPAK GOIL, Bangalore

Stale sentences

ON my day I can topple any player and win a big tournament, says Vijay Amritraj. He has been repeating this often and we have been writing for that day ever since that sensational Wimbledon fortnight in 1973. Sure Vijay has given a tough time to many top notch players, but it is unfortunate that his top form occurs to him in long intervals and when it does Vijay is unable to maint in his winning streak.

Sincerely we would not regret if Vijay retires with out the Wimbledon title because we are content with his services for India and his personal achievements. We would like to have him around the arena as long as he prefers but please not any more of his stale and standard sentences.

MRS REENA MRS MAYA Bangalore

Interesting

WE read with interest George & George's report from New York on Andrea Jaeger Sportsworld 22 481 After Chris Evert she is the one whom we admire, for her charming and gracious features

While wishing her a bril

While wishing her a bril liant tennis career, we hope Miss Jaeger would be care ful in handling other affairs PRATIMA, SUNDAR, Bangalore

T looks as if the selectors have three things in mind

(a) Not to consider Test dis cards (b) To turn a blind eye to their performances and (c) To bring in discards when they are not in form. It is really painful to note that outstanding performances go unrewarded Take the case of Ashoke Mankad and Madan lal Year after year Delhi have won matches only be cause of Madanlal Both these players have proved in the last two years that they have overcome their weaknesses against pace Let us hope that the selectors realise their faults and bring them back into the team

AJAY MADHAN KIRAN DAVE Bombay

Master Prakash

PRAKASH PADUKONE is the only international master India can boast of One wonders why the Caviskirs Kapil Devs kilmans, and Amritrajs are given so much importance when we have a Pristash in our midst

Viewing the 1981 All Ingland champion hips one was indeed surprised how Licm Swie King beat Prakish In fact today the only player who looks cap able of beating him is Morten I rost Huisen One got the impression that Prakash was satisfied to win just the first game. His confidence was obviously not at its peak especially ifter he was treated so badly by the seeding committee. The English commentators notably Derek Talbot kept refer ring to him as the Indian whereas King was 'King When Prakash changed over in the middle of the third game. Talbot said that if he could win he would be true champion What did he mean? Was the last title a fluke' Even King, therefore, is not a 'true champion' because he lost last year

Prakash badly mauled King after being 0.9 down in the first game. It was a real sight to see the master Something must be done about the notorious Wembley draught otherwise touch play will go down in international badminton.

Modi's victory in the Nationals was quite obviously a flash in the pan

RAHUL KISHORE, New Delhi

Editor's page

If you were to ask whether any Indian cricketer has been nabbed in the rarely worth while process of misleading Customs officers, the answer would have to be yes. Further, it you were to ask whether any of these gentlemen had been incarcerated for this sort of deception, the answer would again have to be in the aftirmative.

Only a few years ago, a Bombay cricketer with a pock et tull of narcotics tried to talk his way past a customs officer at Heathrow airport The officer proved too vigilant and our friend spent the next two vears as an involuntary guest of Her Majesty's Government To his credit, he was a model prisoner very popular with men on both sides of the law, and he went on to captain the jail's cricket side with much success I understand that when he was released he had not only added tive inches to his waist but, more happily a tew ounces to his brain He had also perfected the on drive a stroke which has often been the cause of Early dismis sals

It you were to persist even turther and ask whether any Indian Fest captain has been inside of a jail-you should by now not be surprised if the answer is again ves But it must be immediately admit ted that this is only on hear say, though the evidence did come from the captain him self This story has a back ground which can be verified by any cricketer of a decade or so ago And the story itself I will tell as it was told to me and you can best judge its authenticity I personally see no reason to doubt it since this particular captain is not a habitual liar and there is as vet no positive evidence that Indian policemen are totally bereft of a sense of humour But it is necessary that the background comes first

You will remember that not so long ago India had a bats man by name Dilip Sardesai

Dilip wa, a prolitic scorer tor Bombay and only a little less so for his country. He was also the safest catcher in the team. but only during practice ses sions At these times he would demonstrate this repeatedly by making the most difficult catch look the easiest. Never do I remember him dropping a catch during these sessions Conversely I can never re member him catching one dur ing a Test match. It got so, that every time a catch went his way the whole team would close its eyes and every player would mutter a prayer of hope. Then we would want for a groan of despair from the crowd to confirm the inevit able By the time Pilip had been on the scene for a few vears there was not a tollower of the game who was not aware of this particular tailing

So much tor the back ground and now for the story It happened once during a Lest match that some young miscreants roughed up the pitch I ortunately the dam age wa minimal and the Groundsm in had enough time to do some patchwork to the satisfaction of both captains and the game continued with out the Press or the public realising what had transpired Less fortunately for the miscre into they were caught and dumped in fail Three days later the game ended in a dull draw to the entire satisfaction of both sides—if not the paving spectator. Next day as the players were packing to leave the ciptain of the Indi an side received a telephone call from the superintendent of the full The conversition went something like this

Superintendent of jail (SJ) I hat the Indian captain? Captain (C) Yes

SJ This is the superintendent of the jail and I want you to come and see me

C (For once thinking offi cially) No I don't think that is a good idea could I send the 12th man' SJ No, you've got me wrong We don't want to lock you up, but help us out of a strange situation

C In that case I will pop over, but can you give me some idea of what this is all about?

SJ You know those tellows who damaged the pitch, well they have barricaded them selves in their cells and gone on a hunger strike. Nothing can persuade them to eat or drink till they have spoken to you.

And so the captain went to the fail, the first Indian cap tain to do so and spoke to the students through the barri cade. He admonished them, and then asked what they wanted of him.

'Well Sit, they said we know we did wrong and we are sorry for it but surely the punishment to be given is too severe for the crime and only you can help us

The capt iin said how so, and what could he do?

The officer who nabbed us and brought us here ', sorrow fully remarked one of the voung men has told us that tomorrow he is going to take us to the top of the stadium and shove us off '

I he captain expressed the thought that the penalty was indeed too severe for the wrong

Oh no they said Jump ing off the top may be a bit rough but you see the same officer has said that Dilip Sardesai is going to be under neath to catch us. Do you think you could replace him with Eknath Solkar? That way at least we stand some chance.

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GRAEME OR GRAHAM?

There is a difference



The Australian Test to it i currently touring England has a surfeit of people with more or less the same name There are Graeme Beard Graham Yallop and Graeme Wood all three of whom seem rather fastidious about how their names are spelt And so when the local Press kambled and mas spelt the Christi in names of Yallop and Wood christening the tormer Graeme and the latter Graham they had to be cautioned to ensure that such thing did not happen again

WHAT'S COOKING?

Nothing or so it seems

We are spending crores of rupees on construction prolects for the forthcoming De lhi Asiad but has anyone ever thought of how much is to be spent on other items of comparatively less import ance? Let's take for instance the need for a battery of trained cooks With hordes of foreign participants each from different countries and regions and each with his or her own likes and dislikes It organising the Games is going to require endless patience and creativity, imagine what it would take to keep thousands of sportsmen hap

py about their food—at the same time!

At present, it is under stood that the Asian Games Organising Committee is toying with the idea of whether or not to "induct" foreign cooks to cater to the palates of the cream of Asia's sportsmen and women The final decision or so it seems, will rest with the Central Food and Research Institute which organisation will meet shortly to decide what should be done One wonders however it each visiting con tingent will be requested eventually to bring along its own cook Meanwhile our very own chefs can wait for the ad Cooks wanted for the **\sian Games'**

RED TAPISM AGAIN

Making light of the matter

The West Bengal Kabaddi Association (WBKA) which has pone a long way in promoting the sport in the State, has come up against a block. The association drew up a novel scheme as far back as 1979 whereby it was planned that courts would be equipped with floodlights. This at wis left would enable more people to attend matches, thus generating greater enthus is motor the sport.

GLC were consulted to en sure whether the scheme was viable or not. The company examined every angle and agreed that the plan was both economically and technically sound and even made out a blueprint. The next step was to seek the sanction of the Central Government.

Since the total cost amounted to only Rs 60 000 the Centre directed the West Bengal Government to sanc tion the amount and the WBKA rejoiced in the thought that everything was complete However 1980 pas sed without any news of the money being sanctioned and it is understood that the asso ciation was eventually in formed that no money could be passed since the date for yearly closing of accounts was over The request will now have to be revalidated but the question is will the WBKA ever get its money?

HOLDING FORTH

Another fast bowler?



Michael Holding's wife gave birth to a son Ry in in Blackburn England recent ly Lancashire manager Jack ie Bond, who visited the mother and son in the nuising home made it known that young Holding had been "booked" to play for the county by the turn of the century!

LEVERED OUT

Not by Vaseline this time



John Lever is in the head lines once again No con troversy, thank goodness it's just that he took a wicket with the first ball of the 1981 English season The unlucky man was Peter Mills of Cam bridge University, whom Lev er claimed lbw in the Cam bridge Essex match on April

BOYCOTT IN HOT WATER

Once again

It's getting to be uncom fortable to be in the shoes of Geoffrey Boycott as the bes pectacled opening batsman if realising Close on the heels of figuring on the list of three hundred sportsmen who have been blacklisted by the United Nations for their sporting ties with South Africa comes another embarrassing complaint regarding his be haviour



It seems Derbyshire have sent a letter of complaint to the Yorkshire committee following an alleged incident in volving Geoff Boycott before the two counties met in a Benson and Hedges match at Derby recently

They are sceking a written apology and 'disciplinary action' over gestures and comments which the Yorkshire and England batsmen is alleged to have made immediately after a public address announcement

David Harrison Der byshire's chief executive, confirmed last night that the complaint was being made and explained 'There was a notice in both dressing reoms, stating that no prac tice was allowed in the play ing area"

"When it was taking place, I made an announcement over the public address sys tem and that s when the incident happened."

"I am not at liberty to say more at the moment, but the episode was seen by a num ber of our members, who have written to the club ah out it "

Sportsworld Special

Hukam' from the top

ON the day the Tamil Nadu Sports Journalists Association voted V Baskaran is the top sportsman of the country in 1980, up in New Delhi the selection committee of the Indian Hockey Federation put its seal of endorsement on his disgrace by another set of people. We endorse the recommendation of our selectors it the South Zone camp that Baskaran is too slow' said Mr I M Mahajan president of the IHI who also heads its selection committee Farlier Bis karan had been dropped from the South Zone squad of 16 for the Inter Zonal Iournament after watching which the national selectors had to cut the number of World Cup probables from 90 to 44

At which point of time did the selectors discover that Bask ir in had become too slow for international hockey? Only shortly before the Bing alore camp Indias 30 year old gold medal winning captain at the Moscow Olympics had been selected to play against the visiting Russian team on the basis of his performance for the Railway in the Jullundur Nationals

Hard is Mr Mah ij in or anyone clse may try it will be difficult to convincingly explain Bask trans omission

According to one source close to the camp at Bangalore, Baskaran was dropped because of "hukam from the top" Was he dropped because of reasons other than hockey? Is it, as one story goes because he had deman ded of the manager the same comforts tor Indian players as were extended to the Russians? It is no secret that Indian hockey players on domestic tours are given second class dhaba tac lities compared to what visiting teams get

Yuvraj who was preferred to Bas karan in the South Zone team has been included among the four probables for the left half berth but he is several classes below the required standard Young Sujit Kumar of Sports Hostel I ucknow seems to be the best

of the new claimants

While deciding to drop Baskaran without even giving him a chance to perform in the Inter Zonal matches the selectors at the same time have included three young players who could not take part for genuine reasons of their own. They are inside right M Gomes and centre half J Carvalho both of Bombay who were busy with their exams and right winger Charanjit Kumar of Punjab, whose fractured hand has still to heal | Mandapaka of East trying to foil a South raid





When they finally did, Ponnappa made a fine impression as a left winger. That was on the last day of the tournament But by then the selectors had made up their mind. Also there is an embarras sing surfeit on the left wing where there are contenders of the calibre of Zaffar Iqbal, Syed Ali, Shamshad and Bhajan Singh.

The list of probables includes half a dozen goalkeepers in which depart ment we are, admittedly, way behind the Europeans Both Moscow Olympics goalkeepers, Allan Schofield and Chhetri are not in the list The former was not found up to the mark, while the latter has not played much competitive hockey since his return from the Olympics But among the six contenders is Ashok Dewan, 27, our goal keeper at the 1976 Montreal Olympics

In a 44 man squad of which 23 is the average age, left full back Surjit Singh, at 31, is the oldest But Surjit, one of the leading scorers of the Amsterdam World Cup in 1973, has lost none of his old competence On the contrary, he is today a much better player, meliowed and able to exercise the right influence. Now that Baskaran is out, there should be little doubt who our World Cup captain will be

Sukhbir Singh Grewal of Indian Airlines might not have had a particularly good tournament but he is still one of our leading centre forwards—at least good enough to be among the 44 probables. The four chosen as contenders for the centre forward berth are in no way superior to Grewal.

The 44 probables will be back in the coaching camp at Patiala on June 20 Later a squad of 25 will be chosen from which 18 will be picked for a tour of Europe prior to the World Cup

The 44 probables Onker (Resilveys) reind Chabra Bounbay), '.... Charanit Kumat Punjab). İşlefuddin (L ombay), Mandapaka edgal), Antic Segayam Aiyanna vices) Inside right: Mervin Fernen dez (LAC Karnataka), Saini (Punjab) (Bombay), Right full back Rajinder Singh Surmder Singl (Railways), Verinder Baha Sodhi (Punjah) K M Chengaryas dur (IAC), Davinder Singh (Services) Amarjit Singh Rana (Railways), Sushil Topna Centre forward: (Punjab) Left full back: Surjit Singh (Pupjab), (Services), Manchar Topno (Services), Vinest Kumar Amardeep Singh (Puniab), (IAC) M M Lakhwinder Right half Somatya Singh (Universi-(Bombay) Gurmail Singh Shaheed Inside left: Mohd (Punjab), Jaswinder Singh (UP), Ravi (UP), (Railways), * v Rajinder Singh Ravi Kumar (LAC) (Universities), Hardeep Singh Ravinder 'Paul Centre half. Singh (UP), Jasbir Singh (IAC) Universities), Joseph Tirkey Outside left Zafar Igbaj (IAC), (Bihar), Carvalho Shamshad Khan (Railways), Bombay) ' Bhajan Singh Sujit (UP), (Punjab), Sayeed Ali (U P.) Left half: Kumår



Most lacked international class

A T the Press conference it which he announced the 44 probable for the World Cup Mr. I. M. Mah ijin pre i dent of the Indian Hockey Leder ition and ilso churmin of its election committee was it pains to tree that in spite of the nomenclature of the teams there was no regionalism involved in the Wills Troph Inter-Zonal fournament It might well be or But omehow it we the labelling of the teams North South Lit We t and Central that lent the competition a special competitive flatour which was good for all concerned. The selectors were able to watch the creamof the country hocke tilent inder match condition the pectator en-joyed it because of the keep combitive interest and the organists also benefited because the were able to get the competition ponored Ke gional labelling is all right but not a regionalism is Mr. Mahajan aid

It will a trials tournament because of the vayat visora incedit had the look of a proper champion hip tournament in piecel the fact that three sub-titutions were permitted in stead of two in order to allow the selector to have a proper book it all ! the placer in contention. After the jung true classed to it was not experience the Inter Zonal may be come a regular procedure in the tu-te-were mediocie. Watching the can ture especially because the point the torrid temperature of eDelhi um-

sorship is ulable

The five terms of the state of the common our landers to bisis, revealed different the and not totally without his researd once in I viring tren the He unbert is North and a gramp borth before the far of who dropped oil one of it when they

the competition because of the tougher quality of their hockey and better all round balance. East the number two te im with six points. Sere a mixture of outhful agour and versa tility Central three points were ill art and tyle We tailso three point enight the eye because of their grand par of win⊾er Ziffir lightly and M K Faushik As for South one point deprived of the experience of former Olympic caption and left half Baskin. an they found their true touch too

A mentioned earlier this was a trial tournament and hould be drea ed a such la hts of the country best place were communition. but the majority of them lacked international class In other words the difference in the fundard of as the 15 or 20 be tiplicer in 1 the remain der wit too altrin. One i rither dismixed to mile uch in observe tion for it does not peak ell of the state of he dith of Indian backers but it makes the jeb of the elector earer then they a do ye to finall choose I the quad for the World Cup this win er in Fombis

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tolerable level

The tournament began with North outplaying East 42 in 43 degrees C heat East created an early stir by taking a 21 lead after conceding a goal in the fifth minute. But they failed to last the pace in the second half against a fitter faster, and tougher side which kept up the tempo till the very list-diminutive left winger Bhajan Singh capping a fine di play with a goal five minutes from the end Stalwart full backs like Surin and Divinder and forwards like Mervyn Fernandes are too well known. So it was nothing surprising for them to dominate the stige. But in such exilted company Raya Kumar the Late ern Rulwiy inside left who in fact is a Delhi boy pleased everybody by hold ing his own

I iter the same day the incompara ble Shihid inspired Central to a one sided 4.0 victors over South who were

unable to find their feet

South Zone put up in improved di-play on the second day but till I they were not good enough and lost 1.2 to North Lifer the same afternoon. West Zone brilliantly led by Zaffar Iqbal lost 1.2 to Fast for whom full back Vincet Kumar Virendra Baha. dur and Ravi Kumar kept going from strength to trength Zulfur switched to inside left in the econd half to reveal he make in that position tale We rould not wert defeat

The third day card begin with List shatching cone nil victor, over the artistic Central Zone in striking vellow jerseys. In this match the crisi-i tile Ravi Kum ir was allotted the role of in ide right with the additional dury to keep the clusive Shahid under strict sur cill ince Rayrit was who tilted the scies. In addition to being a thrustfulin ide torward. Rivi Fumar special ic it hand stop during penalty corner equence and the epenalty were held to a 2 hr 1 y We t x n | brought the majoury down to a more a second half he naitly hand topped a





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push by Mervyn Lern index for Virendra Bahadur to smash the ball home ter the only poul for Fit Ravi scored from all three penalty strokes I ist Zone were awarded in the tourn ament When god came from a penalty corner it was the practice will last Zinc players to congratulate all three involved the puller the hind repper and the striker. The right thing to do no doubt

In the econd in itch of the cooler third ifte noon West put North on the rack. We a deserved to win but had to be an field with (2.2 dr iw Ziff ir and Kaushik were unstoppable. When they were not be iting the North detenders with sheer speed they were we wing in 1 the North defence in which only Surjit | who scored a third minute coul cen-

tood firm. When everybody will lo ing his cool. Surjit played on with cidm. confidence

for those who appreciate the art and grace the first match of the fourth day between Central Zone raised to aesthetic height, by Shahid and West inspired by Ziff ir withthe most satisfying. The result a one all draw was of little consequence. Then I ist took on further improved South and manaced to be it them by a penalty stroke god in the 4 rd minute

South had received their be t for the fifth and last day of the tourns ment. The point that the arot from the draw with West's is richly decreed at only for the did undent rpric of and out brilliantly to pread panic in players like left wincer. Pennappatre forward. Chengappe and right winger Arvinna

Then North and Central took the I field till quite good for ill the wear | and to it and the short time the organia niser. Rulway Sport. Control Board. had to prepare it. The tournament, came to a rousing end with North beating Central 4.3 but a 4.4 draw would have been a furer realt. The match was marked by a four in a row te it by Surinder Sodhi'v hich put him at the head of the scorers let with five goal. Sodhi wa simply are istible the day One only wishes he is also more consistent for Central Zone Rajinder Singh scored two penalty corner coal to become the top scorer from uch award three goals in all

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A CORRESPONDENT New Delhi



Mehboob: I was the victim of a whispering campaign

FOITOWING the brief but devas tating, outburst of former Olympic capt in Biskar in igninst Indian hock ev officials that there was no point in wasting words on these men or some thing to that effect Mehboob Khan another former international half back, and Indian Airlines captain at the Jullundar National Championship came out with a strong indictment during the Wills Frophy InterZonal Tournament at Delhi's Shivaji Standium

Mehboob 27 who was not even scleeted in the Fast Zone 16 itter the Calcutt's coaching camp has charged officials with deliberate cold shouldering of still good experienced players in order to discourage and

demor thise them

Explaining Mehboob said. On the basis of my di-play in the Jullundur Nationals. I was selected as one of the 125 player for the zonal camps. But not long after the start of the Calcuttal camp. I would hear remarks to the effect that my best years were behind me. It was a whispering campaign. I got the inspiration of being cold shouldered by the coather. This sort of thing is done to discourage e tablished players when they are no longer in official good books.

There is a better more graceful way of doing such things went on Mehboob. Experienced internation als need not be humiliated it selectors feel like dropping them in taxour of younger player. They can be spoken to in private. This is nothing new in hockey. When young kalimullah was coming up in Pakistan Islahuddin was

taken into confidence by the Pakistani selectors

In our country any number of players have gone out in disgrace. In fact, most players who became captains did not leave with their heads high. Aprepal Singh, after Montreal Ashok kumai after the Perth Esandamtern itional. Govinda after the 1978 Bangkok Asian Games. Phillips after the World Cup in Argentina, and now Baskaran, the captain of our gold medal winning team at the Moscow Olympics. Even Surjit Singh was in disgrace for some time, after he had captained India in the 1979. Champions Cup Fournament at Karachi.

Mchboob i bitter that he was drop ped after being chosen among the 16 to play for the IHI XI in the Beighton Cup. I played in the quarter finals and also in the first leg of the semi final against Mohun Bagan before I was dropped from the eleven. I could sense I would be dropped by the way some players talked. These players I learnt had been called to the room of a coach who was connected with one of the Calcutta clubs.

The topic of levilities of official and selectors of Calcutta clubs, where people in money rule and groupism plays in important part is a vexed one in Indian sport. Meliboob is opposed to people connected with the top Calcut is clubs acting as coaches and selectors because they are bound to have their prejudices.

Nothing that I was not in the Fast Zone team a member of the National Selection Committee expressed his surprise to me revealing that I had been chosen because my performance as centre half in the Jullundur Nation als was among the best 'says Mehboob The inference is that not all the best available players were seen in action during the interional tournament for reasons other than their age and agility

Remember the commotion that was created when about a score of footbal lers walked out of the training camp at Calcutta earlier this year? They were called all sorts of names-deserters traitors mercentries namak harams are createned with so cial rejection and one of them even came close to having his Aijuna Award nomination cancelled That was be cause of the en masse nature of the rebellion but more so because the whole scene was chacted in Calcutta where football can arouse every type of emotion in a way that c in happen in no other Indian metropolis

Indian hockey also his men with the same insurrectionary tendencies if the judden disappe trance of players from the zonal coaching cumps prior to the interzonal hockey tournament is invandication. But the episodes did not have the same sensational impact as the football revolt because they were scattered all over the country and did not happen at one and the same time. Also because hockey and soccer tans are people of different dispositions of different responses to given situations.

Selection Committee expressed his $\frac{1}{2}$. No less than seven players left the surprise to me revealing that I had $\frac{1}{2}$ Central Zone hockey camp at Lucknow



for different reasons at different times, though only the slipping away of three Bhopal players Khurshid, Mumtar Malik and Mohammed Yusuf created a stir Reacting sharply Mr. I M Mahajan president of the Indian Hockey Lederation who also heads the Selection Committee announced that he would propose to his federa tion to ban these young men for life from playing for the country. Later two more Curdeep Singh and Parmin der Singh slipped out of the North Zone camp at Patrala and Mr Mahajan hid no option but to keep the door shut on them also although they had come back in a suitably repentant mood

But the Patrala and Lucknow camps were not only ones to witness walk outs. For one reason or other menter is suddenly missing also from the Calcura and other camps. Salim Abbasa the 24 year old inside forward from Bhopal left. Calcutta to receive the State. Vakram Award but sent a medical certain the from home instead of returning.

According to some people in Bhopal hockey circle—players from that traditional hockey centre have suffered because of the split in the hockey issociation the either either complimithat o many player from Bhopal should not have been sent to the Lucknow cimp alone where there was already plenty of talent. That seemed to be the reason why khurshid Mumtar and Yusuf left Lucknow felt one old Bhopal player. They would have had a better chance of getting into a zonal 16 in the south or west or east

But iccording to coach Bilbir Singh former Olympic hilt oack the three Bhop il plivers left the camp because they could not cope with the hard work they were required to docross country run and other strenuous training. He telt that Yu uf alone among the three hid real class. Parvinder (Railways). Ashok Chiudhuy (Huyana) and Zaheerud din and Uma Shanku both right wingers had also left the sensation creating Lucknow camp but with formal permission.

In the case of Gurdip and Parmin der it Patiali ilso the coaches felt that they were not putting in their best. Whitever the truth about the allegation it is a pity that Parminder was not seen among the 16 who played for North Zone at Delhi It is understood that in the calculations of the coaches. Harmik Singh and Apitpal Singh he was rated as the top centre forward in the Patiala camp.

While coaches will shout at mal practices milingerers the players if given the chance will shout murder. The whiphand will always be held by the former. Before harsh punishments are pronounced would it not be wiser to find out if all swell at the coaching camps? Most of the coaches at the camps were rather young and not very experienced.

A CORRESPONDENT

Umpiring improves

DISCERNING students of hockey could not have helped noting the improved standard of umpiring in the Wills Trophy Inter Zonal Hockey Tournament Yet less than six months ago, they were disgusted at the generally low quality of su pervision that they witnessed at the same Shivaji Stadium during the prestigious Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Tournament How did the transformation come about?

The man behind the change is septuagenarian Gian Singh, who in his time was considered the doyen of Indian umpires Starting with the National Championship at Juliun dur he went to all five centres

be surprised at such awards. The best thing for our players to do is not to crib or complain but improve their own execution of corners and strokes or defence against them, as the case may be

I am glad the public noted the difference good umpiring can make to the game of hockey's aid Mr Gian Singh, adding that "People must also have noted that there was no case of players challenging umpires' awards. That is because players also were made aware of the new rules and new trends. They were also contrident that the interpretation of rules by different umpires would be uniform and not



IHF Ischnical delegates, with Gian Singh on the extreme right

during the coaching camps to hold chinics for umpires as well as players. About 125 umpires and as many players attended these clinics.

For a long time, sub standard umpiring had been adversely affecting our players in internation al tournaments. Players accustomed to the whistling of umpires not aware of the latest world trends were unabashedly surprised at the way leading international umpires abroad interpreted the rules. De liberate infringements in the 25 yard area and the striking circle promptly invite harsh punishment like penalty corners and penalty strokes, and no one need any longer

whimsical"

But it Mr Gian Singh has been able to achieve such results not a little credit is due to the men in authority in the tederation who were responsive to constructive criticism about the state of Indian hockey umpiring and gave Indian umpires a free hand to go about his task

It the umpires and players are properly informed about the rule of the game the education of the hockey public will automatically follow. There were indications to this effect at the inter zonal towns ment.

A CORRESPONDENT

The WCT-Grand Prix War

World Championship Tennis have announced that they will be pulling out of the Grand Prix circuit Since WCT will be instituting a rival tour that will offer a substantial increase in prize money a number of vital questions have been raised. For instance, will this mean that players preferring to play one circuit will be blacklisted by the other? Also, was Lamai. Hunt the Texas oil millionaire and WCT boss, getting the mileage he deserved from the tie-up with Grand Prix? More pertinent, does this mean WCT will stage a tournament here in India? ASHOK KAMATH and DAVID McMAHON met VIJAY AMRITRAJ to find out the answers to these and other equally important questions.

CALL it a bombshell it you will but there will i mixed reaction to the news. On April 50 the year I ment Hunt, the president of World Championship Tennic (WCT) innounced in no uncertain terms that he occannestion would be floating a ceen diprofessional circuit in 1352 to compete with the already established. Crind Prix competition

There were no detail made available at the time but speculation i in rife as to what would happen next. Naturally leve by next to be sure. It was like the Hattield and McCovateuding and it uting and it that vaisn to

news then what we

A lot of the player themsel esseemed in two ur of the nove. I gue syou could be I we one of them, said Vijay Amriti ij. I ve dway been in favour of something like the I. I none to be feel that We I is something ampue and if he premoted the game in in exceptional technical over the last 1s years. They have always conducted the game in an impeceable manner but I per on ally feel that they never got the mileage the deserved out of this involvement.

With the idvent of two different per circuit next our each circuit competing with the other every inch of the way what exactly will the situation belike Are the players come to utter? No replied Vijiv 11 the ultimate analysis it will be the player who gain It does not matter in the least for the top men the purs who are making the money my ay Look it it this way People like Bore and McI nroc are not bothered about what can happen no! matter how many rivil circuits there | are No matter where they play no matter which tournaments they participate in they know full well that they are a ing to take away a lot of [

money So obviously these people are not going to feel the difference

On the other hand, the presence of a second independent circuit will help in the players ranked from \$13, 10 to 20 on the ATP computer. We will now have the choice of two tourn iments and will obviously opt for the one that suits as better.

The WCT circuit will consist of the tourn inents organised in three batch es of six each with the Super Masters combining all these tournaments in Dall is. The broad plan so far is to have the first circuit in Europe, the second

in A reand the trial if the home bee Dalle Howe er of the e 18 towns ment. I day a love to be one being played in India.

What about the precedence in the tournament in question Will there be kie der incentre fer those taking part. An ver Vijay. The minimum precedence in the executs will be \$500,000 and even the figure could exclude The winner of ear tournamer will ket nothing less than \$10,000 WCI or talking by buck now.

The tournament them elected be more treinfined than before lo rut with there will be a smaller drives the nds 19 placer taking put All tournament will commence on thur discherebs giving all parties part a much needed rest in the begin ning of the week

Then there is the question of bonu mone which will be doubled or trebled. Let me explain what I me in Ar the veir tournament the eight tim dists at Dillas were given right rowal treatment. Cinon and WCT together put up 17 such prizes which they cilled pickpot prices. There was no cish involved at visiall gatts of a certain value. You picked prices off a board according to the number of point you accumulated. It adminished tifth so I chose tifth.

I ach prize was worth a cash equivalent of \$20,000. I don't remember what all of them were but one was an oil well mother of 1925. Cadillae while a third was silver coins worth \$20,000. I picked the equivalent in gold. Yannick Noah got a racehorse and McEnroe got a beautiful painting. It was a very simple system whereby the players made their final choice according to the order in which they had finished the circuit. So the person

who finished top and a choice from 15 gifts, the second from 14 and so on

Will this system be retained next year with the new circuit and the iccompanying innovations? No this will be scrapped next year and cash prizes will be introduced. Next year, the top eight people on the pro circuit and to gain as much as half a million dollars. That of course is the total bonus prize money and even this ceil ing has not been fixed. It may go as high as a million and so it is plain that the top eight have greater incentives in spur them on

What about sponsors to share the There will be tive major burden. ponsors next year all of whom will humel in a great deal of money inadvertising. The obvious question that ill these companies will be asking is a Will we get adequite exposure? To this end let me point out that there vill be television coverage of these fournament every weekend and these programmes will be beamed all round the world

What are the chances of WCT stag

nothing has been finalised yet, but it will certainly give Indian tennis a much needed fillip WCT approached me towards the end of April and asked mc if I felt India would be interested in staging a tournament. My reaction was predictable. I said there would be no doubt on that score and that India would be only too pleased I also offered to put them (the WCT organis ers) in contact with those concerned WCT would run the show and certain ly their tournaments are far better organised than anything else I have ever played in Foreign exchange, however will be the main stumbling block

Any comments on the Grand Prix WCI confrontation that is now in the offing? Yes it will be an immense clash in the sense that there will be a great deal of overlapping. However the Association of Tennis Profession als cannot exclude WCI and that is a good thing for all concerned I know if I had the choice between a Grand Prix tournament and a WCI tournament I d play in the latter even if the money was the same in both places

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AMAR HUNT, a Texas oil mil dionaire, is the man behind World Championship Tennis and the person responsible for WCT joining hands with the mainstream of the Grand Prix events in 1978 The WCT circuit consisted of eight tournaments, each of them offering a minimum of \$ 175,000 as prize money According to the points earned by the respective players at these events, the top eight would be invited for the \$ 200,000 final at Dallas

The WCT events are held in places like Frankfurt (West Ger many) Milan (Italy), Brussels (Bel gium), Rotterdam (Holland), Monte Carlo and American centres like Houston and Philadelphia Although all the top players have participated in the WCT circuit at one time or the other, only three men-Ken Rosewall, Jimmy Con nors and John McEnroe-have won

two WCT finals

After a four year long association with the GP circuit, WCT has eventually decided to break out on its own The split stemmed from the fact that WCT refused to accept the new conditions laid down by the organisers of the Grand Prix, the MIPTC, whereby WCT were ordered to dissolve their recently formed player management com

Eight WCT organised qualifying events will be held from January to April 1982 and players will also earn points from four events played in 1981—the WCT Tournament of Champions, the French Open, Wimbledon and the US Open

How do the players react to all this? John McEnioe feels 'It will be bad for tennis it they put those big events against each other Borg, Connors and I will be expected to play more often As it is, there are too many tournaments on the Grand Prix schedule I don't think there should be a 12 month season The WCT plan will help those rank ed between 8 and 20 on the ATP computer It will make money for those people who aren't bringing in crowds in the first place "

According to Woltek Fibak, "It is the most important thing in the history of pro tennis since the formation of WCI The Grand Prix dominated while the WCT events were second class. Lamar Hunt has put so much into tennis that he

deserves a better deal

Yet, on the other hand, there is a grim pointer in what Brian Gott fried has to say "It's a shame that no one can ever get tokether in tennis There is always fighting It this continues, we will end up play ing in front of ourselves?

HARESH MUNWANI

The split was inevitable

ALL RIGHT so the Masters tennis tournament has been around for only eleven years but it has already been invested with something akin to notoreity. A couple of seasons ago it was whispered in some circles that the Mastera had earned its place alongside other such amusements as bear baiting demolition derbies and strip shows. Hyperbole perhaps but then again it was an adequate summing up of the way the wind was blowing.

More important, it also raised a very relevant question was the Crand Prix and all that it represented becoming redundant? Veteran American tennis scribe Bud Collins one of the most widely read columnists on the cruit predicted as long ago as 1979 that the Masters would have to be pitched out within a year. He was wrong of course because more than a year has gone by and the Masters is still iround. Howev

er, he was the first to point out what nobody wanted to admit that the Masters was slowly but surely losing its grip and attraction. 'At its present rate of progress. he warned, the sponsors will be arrested for charging admission.

Collins hit out rather harshis but his thoughts made good reading. The best thing that could happen to the Masters—an eight man playoff separating one interminable Grand Prix from the next—would be to wrap it in a can ont kimono and give it a Matan send off into the Fast River. The river is close enough just eight blocks down 3 itd Street from Madison Square Garden in New York.

Even Jick Krimer the foster fither of the Grand Prix Misters scheme admitted recently that his branchild was in trouble. The Grand

Jimmy Connors No inals going to the highest the end of the



Prix is out of control, no doubt about that Many, too many tournaments I don't like to say this, but I'm predicting a crash, a pro tennis depression. There just aren't enough quality players around and unfortunately, the best players—who could make it easier for the tournament game that made them—are more interested in exhibitions. They don't have much sense of responsibility towards their profession.

If that is the situation, then why did Kramer float the Grand Prix in the first place? To start with he intended selling the big league, a series of prestigious big money tournaments involving point values for each victory and a bonus pool at the end of the campaign for the leading players. To cap it all there would be a playoff between eight players for the Masters title.

There was nothing wrong with the ide i It was in the execution that the Grand Prix failed Everything started to go wrong when the ATP (Association of Tennis Professionals) in collusion with the MIPTC (Men's International Professional Tennis Council) di luted the product by pressing for a bigger ever expanding circuit The 1979 calendar included no less than 93—ves 93— Grand Prix tournaments which worked out to an iverage of ilmost two per week. The whole thing became so unmanageable that the 1979 Grand Prix circuit was well on its way before the 1978 Masters was play ed! In ATP and MIPTC circles this was iccepted is a wise move but was frowned on as being absurd elsewhere

World wars are common enough in other spheres, but it soon became clear to all and sundry that one was in the offing in the tennis realm. In the dignificants indirectly that the ATP MIPTC condition would pit its strength ignist a smaller elite group that came to be known derisively—as MAP (Most Attractive Pros.)

MAP consisted of Bjoin Borg Guillermo Vilas Vitis Gerulaitis John McInroc Jimmy Connors llie Nastase and Adriano Panatta Their bone of contention was that they did not want to be dictated to by the ATP MIPTC combine when it came to their choice of tournaments and travel schedules

ATP MIPIC were entitled to some measure of control no doubt but they went too far and became too high hinded. Their directive that any propertiesing to play six designated tournaments would be ineligible for the entire Grand Prix was absurd Jimmy Connors reacted predictably. Nobody can tell me when and where I have to play 'he thundered. The end result was plain for all to see. The top pros rebelled, there were defections and more often than not the Masters.

was reduced to a farce
Perhaps now with WCT pulling out
and instituting an independent circuit
there won t be many who would care
to pay to watch a Grand Prix

A CORRESPONDENT

PAM SHRIVER: Diamonds and rust

In September 1978 a highly promisting tennis player named Pam Shriver became at 16 years and two months of use the youngest finalist in the history of the U.S. Open Champion hips. Rangy emotional explosion in mid-worderfully expressive she played with the verve and usere sion of ayoung clong ited Billie Jean King is feet fall but bursting with youthful uppear a stock like child with in over a character he became the darling of the Open in mit inteclebrity. She was in tuntly dubbed, the Great Whomp in Craine.

Blissfully unmindful of reputations she upset Wimbledon champion Martina Naviatilova in the semi finals serving and volleving bulliantly on the isphalt based hard courts of the new National Tennis Centre in Flushing Meidow Then still playing puritedly and splendidly. He challenged champion Chri Evertin a stirring final that Don Clind, Shriver's Australian born couch called without exapperation a grand spectacle for tennis

But the path to the top in modern tennists a long and winding road. For Pam Shriver, the dynamite arck with the face of a flower who seemed in that giddy September of 1978 to have found a short cut, the ensuing months proved paved with potholes and de tours

First there was school two years in one so that she could griduate 1 year early from a demanding private high school. This scholastic double load was more taxing than she had expected and limited her to only occasional appearances in pro tournaments. For these she was not well prepared. She lost ground to the women playing the pro tour full time more quickly than she had anticipited. She lost to players she thought she should beat. She was frustrated.

Then when she was eager and ready to play full time after graduating last. June 1 she suddenly developed tendinitis in her right shoul der Even after the pain disappeared her greatest weapon - that great big club she calls a serve as Candy refers to it-did not regain its old ferocity. Without a reliable first serve she felt insecure vulnerable afraid. She was besten in the first round of three consecutive tournaments including the 1979. U.S. Open where she lost tearfully to a 17-year old qualitier named Julie Harrington.

Shortly there after Shriver had her tonsils removed. She was so anxious to get back on the court, to make a new start, that she pleaded with her doctor who had imposed a three week post operative moratorium on tennis. She was so persistent that he relented and

let her play after 10 days

But the tonsillectomy did not cure her serve. Her shoulder had lost strength because of mactivity. She did not have the old punishing delivery coming over the ball with a distinctive motion that looked a bit like a tower tilting and then running out of its way as it fell. Though the tendinitis was healed she developed new alarming pains.

When she tried to serve hard in a match the shoulder felt dead the next div or two (andy likened her to a biseball pitcher who goes to spring training after a long winter of inactivity and immediately tries to throw as hard as he did at mid season the previous year. Impossible I ven though the shoulder was not uling neither was it ready to produce nine innings of 90 mph (astballs) and it told.

her so She had no rhythm no control Her serve was ineffective and her arn had nothing left the following day

THIS was particularly discouraging because Shriver had been so eager to salvage something of the 1979 sea son In her first tournament after the Open and tonsillectomy she had a match point against Australian Diannel romholtz in the first round of the National Women's Indoors but lost serving 17 double tailts and no accis in the match. The next week in Phoenix she lost in the first round to Australia's Wendy Turnbull 63 60. Her delivery was so create that she hit one



and into the stand

Now we re talking about a spattic shoulder 'Candy and recalling that embarris ing moment. The service deterior ited to the extent that it just became a runt perferche lowl ago nizingly kettim wayse. The tendinatiwas gone the roulder comed to be fine at the infeouldn't serve Pan my was drained bevillered and frankly a little frachtened.

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mineral state and the same of the same and t first serve 20 feet over the baseline I you may multiply that by five or six

She'll work like a weightlifter Three times a week shell absolutely demolish the shoulder burn it out to the extent that the last two or three exercies in each group will come on grit ilone and afterwards shell be lucky it she can lift the latch on the door to leave. The rest of the times hell just do exercises. This is real body building- burning off the old tibre and replacing it with something HOUSEL

In order to appreciate the surface to the formation full one must look back [Norder to appreciate this deteron Pam Shriver's case histori-

She played in her first professional tournament is a local wild card entry in Language 1978 in Washington, D.C. about in hour by car from her tarnel cleant home private tenni court rable in Luther ille Lesth in three month later having earned mo her crick if the major women circuit by winning 12 matches from prequalifying to vin in Aven Luture tournament is Columbia. Ohio he to iched the emitted of the Virginia , Slam Champion hip of Dalla There he bent Fromholt and mother Autrichen Kerry Reid vho vere both ranked among the sould top ten vemen place. Alone with her more celebrated centemporary. Iracy Autin I im Shriver we haded it in r cendink – n

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66 Th's tunny the day after I got home from England I started tak ing a whole ve it's course of algebra in three weeks. I was being tutored three hours a day and then doing five or six ! hours of homework and I was taking driver's education at night and trying to fit in in hour of tennis a day Shriver remembers. I realised then how cocky I had been and how stupid a it was to think that I could hinish my school, waltz in now and then and keep. doing well in tournaments. Uh uh That's not the way it goes and what happened in I nal and got that across

The rest of that summer her atti-tude in practice improved. She made cood use of her time. And then came, the 1978 Open and consecutive victor ics over Reid an injured Lesley Hunt and Naviatilova to reach the final. At the end of her 76, 76 semi-final victory twice interrupted by run, there val no jumping fround no unscembs the itric. Shriver shook hands and sived in diplays of jubilation for a private celebration. I didn't want to rub it in 1 think I know how Mirtin i mu this telt she ud later

As the calendar turned from 1978 to 1979. Shriver still had little time to work on her tennis. She victiking trigonometry and edealir p vehology rudio art the novel the short tor black literature American dre in the per on do six intermediite composition and other course truggline by her own choice to combine her junior and em a sear at the McDonouch School a re-pected pri vite chool out ide Biltimore that ha 1 000 tudent entolled in krade 1 throu⊾h 1_

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She turned professional mainly just to take the pre-sure off-we were spending too much time thinking about it and trying to decide it I should he said. She igned contracts with File clothes and Prince rackets taking less money than the might have commanded because the was in no position to commit precious time and energy to appearances and other extra curricular endorsement obligation She won't become a commodity on the open market at least not for a few years when she's better able to handle those pressures said Candy who be came her agent and business repre sentitive as well as coach and confid int. Well work on her game for a couple of years first and make surc she's a tennis player before she becomes a businesswoman



Sportsworld Exclusive

Ian Botham: I have learnt a lot

ASHIS RAY met the talented all-rounder to ask him a few important questions

This been a difficult month for land Botham, filled with suspense and anxiety. Since his return from the West Indies there has been the assault charge hanging over his head as well as the question of his manhandling an English cricket writer at Bermuda Air port during the return journey from the Caribbean Over and above there was the problem of the fine imposed on him earlier for speeding, an incident which allegedly gave rise to his threatening the policeman concerned

Indeed, his cricketing problems had somewhat paled into insignifi

cance in comparison But on the first day of Somerset's match with the Australians the light at the end of the tunnel at last became visible. On (as usual) a rain affected day the tourists finished at 176 for three with the England skipper picking up two of them in a tidy spell of 13 overs costing only 18 runs—his most impressive stint of the season so far

Yet, what the young man must have relished even more on that day was the announcement from Lord's that he had been re appointed captain of his country for the three one day interna



Peter Willey sweeps he has found a regular place in the side now



Geoff Boycott how long can he continue?

tionals against Australia. There were some doubts about this retention after his performance at the helm in the past year and the reported incidents of misbehaviour off the field. Thus a clearly relieved Ian Botham looking quite fit beard and all emerged out of the dressing room at launton to express himself.

What is his reaction to the re sclection? I am delighted that the selectors have shown their faith in me Now it is up to me to prove that I can justify their continued confidence?

How does he assess his exploits as skipper? Before I began the selectors knew and I knew that the two series against the West Indies would be the hardest any captain could undertake I know I made mistakes but at the same time I think I learnt a tremendous amount and I hope I can put this to England's use in the future I believe that England have the makings of a powerful team and my ambition is to be able to lead that side As an afterthought he adds I went to the West Indies and did my best. We lost the series 20 but that is not the end of the world I think we have three or four batsmen of world class and I believe we have got the nucleus of a good England side for the next ten

Is he hopeful of doing well especially in the forthcoming clash with Australia? "I think we have an edge over them in the limited overs games because we are more experienced in this type of cricket In the Tests, well they are without Chappell and Pascoe and we are quite a well balanced side."

plugged What changes does he think are necessary to further re-organise the team? "I can't be specific on this and in any case team selection is a collective responsibility, not a decision left to me I suppose we have to think in terms of a stable number three batsman and a bowler to partner Graham Dilley It would also be nice to have a left arm spinner to act as a foil to John Emburey"

How does he explain his own lack of form? 'You can't have a good time non stop, can you? I took the highest number of wickets in the West Indies

It has been suggested that the old magic has disappeared and that Botham is still to recover his full fitness What are his views on this? 'I

wouldn't like to join 135ue on this king better that I provide the answer in the field "

What is his response to Press critic ism in general? 'This doesn't bother me I don't even read the stuff"

So the fact that Ian Botham will stand trial on the accusation of assault has actually bought him valuable time as a verdict at the magistrate's court, if adverse would have surely deprived him of the captaincy. The revelation that the brush with the journalist in Bermuda has been 'settled amicably' has also gone in his favour. It is now up to him to demonstrate to his critics that the events of the past year were merely an aberation. If he succeeds in achieving this he will most certainly be on the flight to India later this year as head of the party, no less.

Graeme Wood cuts for four the Englishmen will be eager to take his wicket





Samaresh (Pintu) Choudhury: "This is not the way I planned to quit"

SARAJIT DEB met the veteran footballer to discover why he had voluntarily signed for East Bengal this year

PHERE are generally two ways in THERE are generally the market are generally sharing days come to an end. He either goes out in a blaze of glory or worse nobody really misses him Samaresh (Pintu) Choudhury one of the finest linkmen the country has produced has apparently chosen the second path The hero of the Seventies quietly signed this year in tayour of his old club Fast Bengal with which organisation he has fond links. The signing held no significance other than the fact that he wished to retire from what he regarded as his own club Accordingly he had approached the club officials with a request to that effect The officials failed to respond but even that did not deter Pintu from signing for Last Bengal Not to play but to retire from the club he really

To go back to Pintus pliving career one his to hirk back 15 long years when he was first asked by Bagha Shome to join Witt in 1967. He served the club for three years and performed outstandingly every time his team played again a Mohun Bagin or Fast Bengal. It was obvious that it was only a matter of time before he was called to join the ranks of a big club. In 1970, both Fast Bengal and Mohun Bagan approached him but he chose the former

For six long years he was associated with First Bengal and helped his side win numerous trophies. Due to a slight misunderst inding he left the club to join Mohun Bag in in 1976, and when the unple is intness was sorted out he went back to Fast Bengal. In 1979, the officials felt that he was no longer needed and so he left once more this time, going over to Mohammedan Sporting. After a two year stant with the black and whites he came back unsolicited to Fast Bengal.

To Pintu goes the credit of having performed well in every single big match-something very few players can boast of For eight years from 1970.77 the clubs whose colours he donned won the Calcutta League From 1970.75 it was East Bengal in 1976. Mohun Bagan and eventually Fast Bengal again in 1977. He had the

correct temper iment for big matches and was always prominent among the list of players who shone in important matches

Among the goals he has scored (almost all from long distance swerving shots) he considers the one against Tatas beating Bandiya from a pass by



A scene from 1974 Two contemporaries Pintu and Habib hug each other after helping East Bengal win yet another trophy

Parimal Dey in 1970 as his best. One of his most important godls was the one against. Mohun Bagan in the 1977 League. As far as a goal against a foreign team is concerned, it was the one during the 1972 pre Olympics against. Indonesia.

There are a few people who helped Pintu on his way to fame. He received initial encouragement from his elder brother Nikhilesh Later when he studied at the Ashoknagar Boys Secon dary School he was encouraged by Sailib Roychoudhury, the games teacher and Tushar Das the econo mics teacher. He joined a second divi sion club Beniatola in 1966 where he was spotted by Bigha Shome who brought him over to Wari. As Pintu himself puts it Baghada is like my God He has helped me so much that it is very difficult to express it in words. I used to stay with him and he taught me everything I know about football I can never repay what he s given me. It goes fir beyond material things Among the players who helped him vere Kajil Mukherjee ind Prasanta Sinha both linkmen whose game Pin tu tried to emulate

As far is my playing career is concerned I have only two regrets The first was when we (East Bengal) lost against our arch rivals, Mohun Bagan in the semi final of the 1974 Durand The next was in the 1978 Calcutta League when we lost against Wall It was very early in the League and we (Fast Bengal) had been more or less pushed out of the running for the championship After I joined Mohammedan Sporting in 1979, peo ple expected a lot from the team, but what one tends to forget is that foot ball tod by is a team game and we were never as a team capable of winning trophies Anyway, the match against East Bengal in the League was a good one and because of the draw, East Bengal lost the race for League hon ours to Mohun Bagan It was a satisfac tory performance but we were no where in the picture for the title That makes a great deal of difference,' Pintu recollected

Apart of the Calcutta Maidan for the last one and a half decades, Samaresh Choudhury has seen a lot of changes "When we started playing, we really played for the love of the game At that time the return league system was in vogue and had a very good effect. The big teams, even if they fared badly in their first game had a chance of recovering in the return league. There was less tension then and supporters did not react as violently as they do today if the big teams failed to win matches. They were more peaceful and patient.

' The whole thing began changing (I think for the worse) in 1969 when the return league was scrapped and the present system introduced Tension began building up because each point was vital for the teams that were vying tor the title. Supporters started be coming more violent and the whole atmosphere of the Maidan began changing. The supporters obviously want their favourate teams to win that is quite understandable. At the same time they should not torget that the teams of less consequence come to put up a good tight. Indeed, why should a small team give up withour a fight? The charm of the league derives from this fact, that the lesser reams fight the giants every inch of the way. This gives rise to a very healthy spirit of competition. Just imagine what would happen if the small teams refused to play The Calcutta League would be reduced to two or three matches. What kind of chrill, would remain in such a situation

The attitude of both players and officials have been changing over the years. When I joined I ast Bengal it was drilled into my head that I should not start thinking in terms of money straight iway. The first consideration I was told was whether I would get a chance to play. My advice to young players is the same. Their first priority hould be to try and get into a team They should study other players care tully When they decide on joining a big club they should be prepared to change their style of play to suit the pattern of the clubs concerned. This will help their careers

The reasons are very simple Suppose a player from a junior club joins a big club with the sole intention of carning money right from the very beginning it might spoil his game and he may not get a chance in the team it all If for a year or two he just sits on the sidelines his performance is bound to deteriorate and ultimately he ll have to go back to a small club But if he concentrates on getting a permanent place in the team in the ultimate analysis he will last longer and in the process earg more. Newa days sadly enough, players think only in terms of money, while the game is secondary to them

The club officials were also very good This was mainly because so much money was not involved then Relations with officials helped to de



Samaresh Choudhury (centre) leading the East Bengal learn on a lap of honour after they won the Calcutta League in 1977—this made it eight League titles in a row for Pintu

velop team spirit amongst the players Nowadays we find that officials think their responsibilities begin and end with paying their players. They do not try and maint un direct contact with the players. They are more interested. in retaining their positions. They know that in order to stick to their posts they have to win trophies. It is ad that they bow down to the whims of the supporters who only understand the meaning of trophics. In the process they re out to methods which are far from sporting. They feel that by retain ing certain big players with the lure of money they will be able to inswer the supporters. They think they can explain that they tried their best by hanging on to the best player and bringing in some promising ones. All the while however their only motive is to retain their posts in officialdom. They do not care for the betterment of SOCCET

I will not say that matches are fixed but there are certain aregular ities. Officials of certain jumor clubs owe allegrance to the big clubs. When these teams play each other the officials either see to it that the best team as not fielded or they tell the players how to play thus assuring that the big teams win But when the return league system was in vogue there were no such arregularities. The competition was much fiercer in those day

The attitudes of officials have weakened a lot. When I joined I ist Bengal in 1970 Mr Jvotish Guharuled the roast. He brought me to the club and I was really impressed by his strict attitude. His dealings with players on matters of money were straightfor ward how much money they would be Betting and it did not matter whether the player wanted to leave the club or not All players were equal in his eyes Even it a senior player was guilty of indiscipline he would not be spared Players were spoken to as they de served. He either told them. You will not play for so many matches or You will not be considered because of your behaviour. Now id its however officrils do not have the guts to take uch

You may think I monly blaming the officials. The reason I m not blaming the players is because I teel for them. Most of them come from poor I imilies and they have before them the examples of part player. They have seen how players who have rendered geomen service to the club are treated after they want to make the best use of the few years they have it the top It is the duty of the official to see that the players develop to im spirit and are disciplined.

There are two players who started with Pintu and who are still playing Md. Habib and Sudhir Karmakar Thave no regrets because they are till playing and I have retired I knew I could not maint un my form and so I stepped down. But this was not the way I planned to go. I had approached the List Bengal officials and asked them to take me. I told them that I didnot want any money. I just wanted to be with the team and generally help out It required I could play one or two matches. The basic thing was that I wanted to retire from my favourite club and my family felt the same way No one paid inviheed to my request ind o'l signed volunturily for the club from my point of view Im satisfied that I agned in Layour of the club I love. To be quite frank this was not the sort of treatment I expected from the club for which I have given so much

The 34 year old bank employee the sixth in a family of eight (five brothers and three sisters) is a sad man. He just hates the idea of going to the Maid in the place where he spent the best 15 years of his life. He is disgusted with the whole atmosphere.

And so he stays far away from it all the game that was once his life



CALCUTTA LEAGUE

Big Three struggle along

Each of the three big clubs had some anxious moments against opponents before managing to maintain a clean record It would not have been at all surprising if all three had dropped a point each. RANJITKUMAR GHOSE, SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB report on the matches

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rival team. Luck never seems to favour us Actually we played and they won-We met with the same face against Rijisth in Answay I im pleased with my team's performance. As for Mohammed in S.C. I don't think their dipli we something to be proud of , concluded Shankar Banerjee

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Mohammed in S. C. coach Sattar's reply was. The goal was not due to a lipse on the part of Agragami's detence but Manash's opportunism We missed fine many chances of which Akbar's sitter was most conspicuous and had it been a coul the story would have been different We could not play properly because like other junior teams this one in order to driw the matchplaced are creatically thus not allo sing the more experienced players to perform well. Today the forward line was slock. The boys are yet to get back their form. On the whole the deep detence placed well particularly Aloke Mukherjee while Prasun handled the midfield ilone

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WATCHING Mohun Bugin's dis-play in the second outing of the week a unit Fastern Rulway one tound it very difficult to believe that this was the same team--with the exception of a few players—that had won the Lederation Cup at Madras quite convincingly a few weeks back It was a listless display from the champion club or India and the team was lucky to carn two points from the encounter

The team is 1 whole fulled with the normally sound detence also looking vulnerable at times. Ulaganath in who is having a good season had an off day and that perhaps upset the rhythm of the team. The other winger Surifit Sengupta did not seem interested in the proceedings except for making a couple of centres which were not util ised by the strikers

The lone goal came in the first half from a penalty by Subrata Bhat ticharva who placed it it the right corner with a right footed grounder.

took place when Mihir Bose was brought down inside the box by Saral Ginguly Mihir had only the goal keeper to be it and the decision of the referce seemed quite justified. But Railway coach Prabir Majumdar did not agree. It was a tackle and the referee was a bit harsh on us. After all we are the junior side and a penalty in the first half upset the rhythm of my side. The referees seem to enter the field with the sole intention of seeing that the big team wins. This kind of attitude hampers the performance of the junior teams

The game tended to be rough with the referee Sign Sen having no control over the match. He tailed to take strict measures when it was needed in the beginning of the match and gradually the match went from bud to worse. But it goes to the credit of the Railway players that they never crowded the detence a common ploy of the jumor sides and relied on zonal and man to man markings. Mohun Bagan's coach Sankir Banerjee seemed dejected with his team per formance. None of my boys could hold on to the ball. The players for no re ison at all played rough football and this affected their play. It was a very



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FAST BENGAL AFTER comfortable win against Customs, East hengal were expected to cut Kalighat to size in their third game on May 27 but they had to remain content with the lone goal scored by Majid Bashkar lite in the first half, Majid's first goal this season. Kalighat normally known for their fighting qualities, were not spected to pose much of a problem their formidable opponents this time That they managed to restrict I ist Bengal to the minimum score was due as much to their fine display as it was to goalmouth lapses by their celebrated opponents

Mention must be made of goal keeper Prasanta Nandy along with Supt Das and Debasis Bhattacharva me two Kalighat medios. Nandy has the reputation of giving his best is sinst big teams. Last year he pulled off funtastic performances against Mohun Bigan Mohammedan Sporting ind Fast Bengal in the unfinished LARUE The stiff right footer unle ished by I arid in the 20th minute we fisted over by Nandy at the expense of a corner a brilliant save indeed. It was the best of the many made by Nandy on the day. On another occasion he dived at Jamshid's feet to tal the Iranian And then there was that stiff shot from Somenath which vinds punched out in the dving minutes of the game Sujit and Debasis the two linkmen gave an excellent account of themselves and were the live force of the Kalighat machines Sujit's long range shot in the first half was not on target, but it was a good try nevertheless

Fast Bengal's domination was never in question however Janishid Nassiri was the worst bungler



**1 + 11 c 'le Ex Tiwa de Francis (15 in the match against Kaighat

quandering four good chances in the econd half alone. On two of these occasion, he had only Prayanta Nandy to be it. It was aronic that Jamshid was involved in the goal that gave East Beng if their third consecutive victory. Of his low through pass Francis sent a crossion with the left to negotiate which Nand left his goalmouth Mand who was standing three yards from the goal had only to push the ball.

on was There is no knowing what would Jan shid hive hippened if Kalighat had bungler shocked hast Bengal in the very first minute. Their right winger Sujay Kundu outwitted. Anudev. Da and Monor injun. Bhattach use and off his centre. Bidsur. Chakraborts, the Kalighat shipper took a goal worthy shot but Premnath Phillip was there to make a goal line, use. This is Sujay that year in the senior division as a the case with Rupak Chosh. Kalighat shift striker.

First Bengil tried Somenath Bancipes on the left wing which shows they are still in search of the right main for the position. The problem is likely to torinent Last Bengal for some time

The misses a sitter with the Sonal Shibr qual keeper Milin Mukhe jee at h. her.). Dita is an application of the site of the s

to come, as Debasis Roy, the only pure left winger East Bengal have in their ranks is still nursing his injury

Coach Santo Mitia said that despite the margin Last Bengal had played much better thin they did against Customs I ist Bengal he said could not score more because the Kalighat boy - ill locals-adipted themselves better to the slushy conditions underfoot than Machido Farid and Francis Moreover there was a lot of mispissing on the part of his boys Then ig un Kalighat not only put more men in defence but attacked whenever possible Santo Mitra praised Kalighat for their gritty display

MANY dichard Fast Bengal supporters took it for granted that Sonali Shibit the firet division leigue babes would be lambs for slinghter igunst List Bengal This thought they cherished despite the fact that Sonali were performing consistently and were unbeaten till their encounter with East Bengal But it did not take long to show them how mistaken they vere in their issessment It was not before the 39th minute that Sonali conceded the first of the two goal, that separated them from their famous opponents

Consider the stuff that Sonah were made of Nine of the 11 they fielded were playing in the first division for the first time this ve ir. The other two were experienced players—Bijox Dikpati and Mohammad Mukim. The

latter was the talk of the evening, so grand was his display And what a plucky fight we saw put up by Nitin Banerjee the Sonali goalie He confidently saved certain goals from Premnath Phillip Somenath, Farid and Sudhir

Sudhir's attempt was the best of the div ind was the best part of an otherwise indifferent and display It is time Sudhir retired from tootball with the honour he really descrives. Find's attempt was also i remarkable Considering that he scored a goal against Customs and brought off good attempts against both Killigh it and Sonali one would not be surprised if the decisive goal in a big much comes from him. Irue he is slow and uses short passes but with mere using match practice, and with Amiliai by his side he is sure to in iture into one of the finest linkmen for year, to come. Amalraj was played n unst Sonah this being his first Lame of the season. And his inclusion. made in appreciable difference in List Bengil gime

Last Benjal were at their tiery best is unst. Son ili, the litter's store resistance notwithst inding. Had I ist Bengal cashed in on half the chances that came their way they would have emerged winners by a re-pectable margin but that was not to be. Once ig in Jamshid was the arch bungler while hi more famed compatriot Mand once up in howed how much indi pen able he is to the entire te im-

Coach Santo Mitra, one understands has been given a blank cheque as far as team formation is concerned. It will be little surprise if some day he decides to field a team without Limshid

Majid's goal, his second this season and Fast Bengal's first in the match showed the genius that he is A ball took an awkward turn off a defender heel (after Somenath had lobbed it in the goalmouth) and came to Majid The unmarked Iranian drove it home in a trice. It was a beauty. Jamshid of all players scored the second goal from a melec

The Sonali Shibir coach. Mr Bibbuti Mizumder, maint fined that both go ilshould have been disallowed on ground of the offside rule So did Bija Dikpati Mr Mazumder who coached Bengal's junior and Sub junior team said he was glad that his boys had plived attacking footbill. It wis not mein achievement that a team composed of nine unheard of borestricted I ast Bengal to a mode t rilly Mr Sinto Mitrawas glid that he team was attuning greater mobilit with each match but he was still not satisfied as the team was not completely mobile. He was satisfied with the perform ince of Amilia irin his tust game for I ast Bengal in Calcutta ind pinned great hopes on him However the much needed cohe ion mong the forwards was ver to come

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The second secon FTER the tragic August 16 incident at the Eden indens which accounted 1 16 lives, the West Bengal ivernment is intent on cant iming strict discipline 1 the Maid in Since they anot want their image to to turnished any further in begin the season by summericul us on ow papers requesting ti ens to watch the natches peacefully Treviously members gates ed to be manned by the 'ab authoraties but the decit (Police is now at the clin of affairs. They control ill motements at the gates. in 1 the reneral itmosphere a the member stand has mpro ed considerable. The picties, which used to be a di orderly nov wen a look the original i mber uch upps Evenit the enter the around a few amute before the match they can be sure of a place in the fidium while this a not the crein pre rou

There are two reason tor this. The Covernment

Maidan musings

has stopped issuing day slip for the big clubs. This accounts in a small way for the change. Most people used to wangle their way in by entering the ground along with someone of import ince in the club. This would enable them to get in without any problem. The practice has not been a tamped out entirely but the trend is showing a downward slide.

The system of police personnel manning the antes has caused heartburn in cert un quarters Peter Thank it if the former Ar junct Award recipient was challenged at the Mohun bu matte and isked to how he card which he did not have with him People ime to his rescue and requested the policemen to for him in but it took a lot of persultsion to get him intothe Fround Another Cx player Sukumar Samajpate

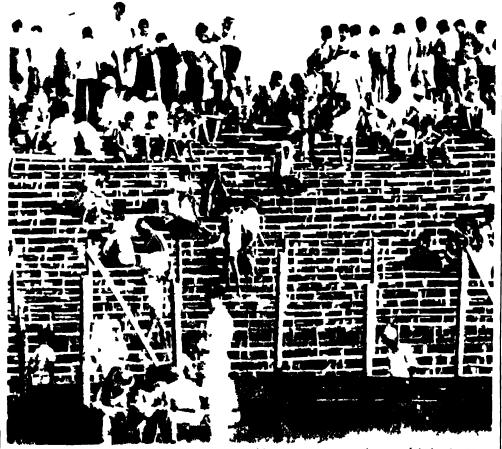
now a radio and television comment itor also suffered the mortification of being challenged at the Last Being digite. He also tailed to produce his cird and it is illeged that a scuffle took place between the police personnel and the exwinger. Ultimately he was allowed in after a great deal of persuasion to do his comment ity.

Another incident occurred on the Last Bengal ground Over the voirs the clubs have assued notices to members to renew their membership cirds An acknowledgement card is sent ind this end done with the expired membership is submitted in order to get thew cird For a couple of matches entry into the ground is permitted if one has one s previous card alone vath the icknowledgement slip. The

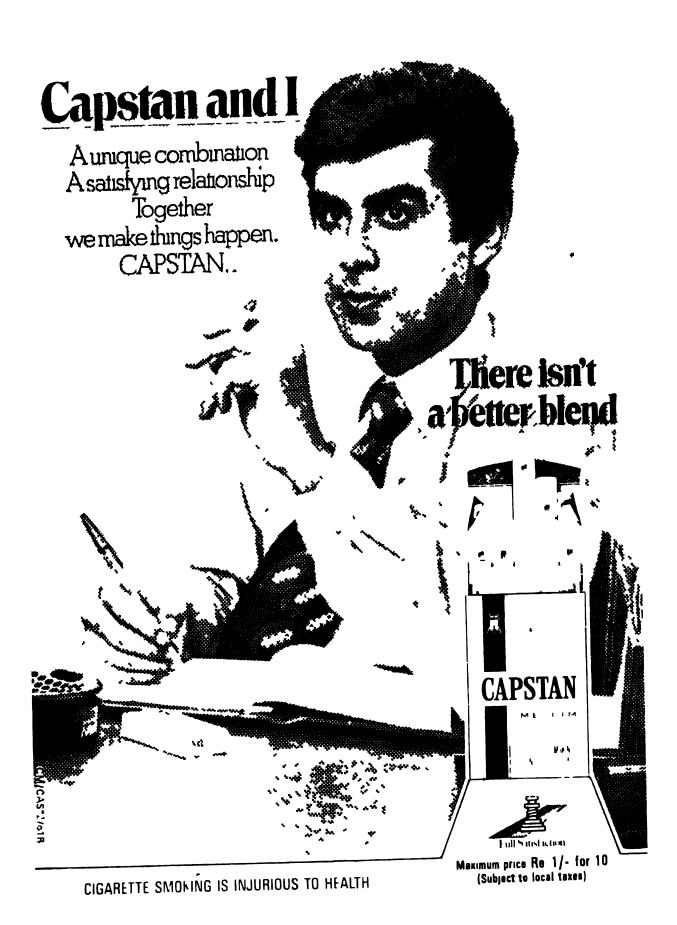
East Bengal officials notified the police about this and the police on their part agreed to let people enter is long is they had both the cards for the first ten matches. The day East Beng il played their second match of the League some people tried to enter the ground with only one card The police rightly so refused to let them enter despite persistent attempts b the defaulters The police ultimately reached the limit of their endurance and snatched a ters cards.

After the match a ection of the appointers ther wed the rait int reneral secretar of the club Arun Bhattacharva and demanded in explanation from him for the grave injustric. If one goes by he u a star alleged that a section of official emerdentally the committee is formed on an alli mee thad instigated the incident The ACS tickled the situation well and after talking to police authoratic give the ends buck to the people concerned. The police had given back the cards and taken a receipt telling the club authorities that they (the club) could do what they wanted with the cards Some supporter had even claimed that their cud hidbeentorn However the whole situ ition could have had worse repercution but for the AGS who handled the episode very well

A cert un section of people or pecially club officials) ire unhappy with the idea of police controlling the Lites. Some Mohun Bag in officials protested us unst the system the day they placed igunst Listein Radwi. It now remains to be seen how the Government reacts After talking with ome genume end holders one felt that they are indeed happy with the system Said a young Mohun Buran member. We stewatching games more comfortable and we tresitisted. There are no problems related to entering the ground We queue up and there is no jostling in front of the gate In previous years a personentering the ground five minutes before the match had no chance of Letting a seit Allthithi chimied this veir burletu echov long this system prevail



Moments before the commencement of the match a section of the stands remain empty because of strict measures enforced by the police



News letter from Sri Lanka

IF 1980 was the year of the child at the international level 1981 is certainly a year of decision for Sri Linka cricket. This is the year Sri I anka has to prove itself in the eyes of England and Australia to stake its claim to inter the ICC (International Cricket Conference). The year began on an inspicious note. The young under 25 Sri Lanka team retained the Gopalan Irophy against I smil Nadu in Madras and from there proceeded to Calcutta for the Bengal celebrations.

The under 20 schoolboy team also did creditably against its Indian counterparts in the two three day. Tests one of which was abandoned partly due to rain but mostly due to bad ground arrangement and poor organisation in Kandy. Some Colombo cricket functics of a decade or two ago have now moved to Kandy but their own enthusiasm for cricket development is more often misguided just as it was when they were in Colombo.

The Indian won the limited over gimes at Calle and Matara against weaker regional opposition while the gime at Moratiwa also a limited over one was all andoned due to rain and bad ground conditions. It was unusual weather for this time of the year Cricketers like Arjuna Ranatunge Rohan Wajesinghe (Jr.) Rohan Buult jen. Romesh Ratnayake Kamal Dharmasira. Sudath Pasquad Brendan Kuruppu, and Ru sel Wajesuriya en ha iced, their reputations as future star.

Professionalism was introduced in a big way when the Saracens Sports Club a ned on a number of leading player from other clubs. Even a decade or two ago the Saracens resorted | fall back upon At this stage a special to professionalism in an unofficial tribute must be paid to the two retired.

The selectors Abi Figure and K.M.T.

Other clubs are also seeing to the welfare of the players in a professional way whereas still other organisations parade their professionalism behind a mask. Professionalism is certainly good for the game but it must be controlled by legislation as changes of clubs by players could be abused.

Cricket at both school and club levels is in full swing and there is much enthusiasm being generated at present. In the first couple of works there were many upsets in schoolbox matches especially when last vears unofficial champions. St. Peters College playing almost their ame team were dethioned by Ananda who also had many veter ms in their side.

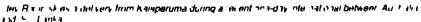
The Sinh desc Sports Club look hot favourites to win the Saci Trophy with a powerful combination trengthened by the inclusion of Colts stalwart Roy Dras and the return of former skipper Anura Tennekoon and veteran Meyan Pieris Dulcep Mendis the SSC captun is certainly Sir Links most attractive but man at the moment Bloomfield ire ably led by Lenne koon deputy ind obviou accessor Wirnipura Other leiding club SSC (Litycar champion) and Nondescripts lost some of their kell player. for national duty leaving the Surv Trophy quite open

All this we in residing for the visit of the Australians and the National Selectors including two new face in Michael Lisera (former Stall inkaskipper) and Sidney Peretau veteran board membera have much talent to

tribute must be paid to the two retir ing selectors. Abu Fuard and KMT Perera who did a fine job during their stint of national selection. For one thing they broke through the barrier of Sahibism which existed in Sri Lanka for many years whereby unless one came from an exclusive club or school it was virtually impossible to national selection. Yes, they did a thankless job well amidst much criticism. Many of their critics would neither take the responsibility themselves or were in capable of carrying out such a task impartially Similar tributes must be paid to the combination of Werapitiya (President) and Senaratric (Secretary) who have worked untiringly for the development of the Lime

Recently a few foreign club sides have made tours of Sril inka namely the Hyder ibid Cricket Blues minaged by Ranka Reddy, the As astant Secret. iry of the Hyderabad Cricket Associa tion is team from Holl and comprising Dick Abed a captura Hylton Acker m in the former North ints and World Series player Edwards who keeps wickets for Surre and our own Tony Op ith t who now coaches and play in Holland Opatha toured India under Anura Tenrekoon and also represented Sri Lanka in the two World Cup. Serie played in Inclind inda side cilled the Clubs Cricket Conterence from the U.K. These sides performed with mixed fortunes which certainly i do not give a clear pacture of the i performances of our local cricketers. Li s is this is most of these visiting sides come to play holiday cricket which certainly do not enhance the serious ness with which cricket is played in Sri-

Linki The local cricket tournament the Sara Irophy has at the time of writing critered the final round stage and the top sides. Nondescripts Cricket Club Ploomfield Cricket Club the Sinhile & Sports Club and the Col ombo Cricket Club are all tring for the tep botth. The Nondescripts under the leadership of Srithurin Joga nathin have done well to enter the final round is ten player, were called up to do duty for the National School Side acunst Index This definitely depleted the ide and illeredit multipo to Jeg in ith in and senior players Ranpt Fernando and Gerry Woutersz for tiging clife fills. With the return of these ten players the NCC will no doubt be estrong contender for top honours Bloomfield led by Ceylon ciptiin Bindula Wirnapura field a strong side. The Sinhalese Sports Club ind Colombo Cricket Club ire skip pered by Dulcep Mendis and Nirmal Hetti trachehi respectively. Both Men dis and Hettrarachehr have been among the runs and their batting will go a long way if their clubs are going to make an impact and win the tourn a





Sportspeople

Determined to be back

THI ball was lobbed from the centre and in unmarked Rosario Antao moved forward to a better position Simultaneously the India Blues XI custodian 5 Brahmanand rushed out and gathered the ball only to have his left hand crushed under Antao s boots. He yelled with the pain and Asiad football camp coaches P. k. Banerice Aroon Ghosh Basha Hakeem and kit tu rushed to his aid.

Path a got what at wanted the money raised by this exhibition match with the Asiad probables divided into two teams would serve to resurrect the Siee Kri has Gold Cup Lootball Tournament. However, this was achieved at the expense of a fracture of international and Salgaonear custo drain Brahman and salgaonear custo drain Brahman and salgaonear.

were pro A saloon and a vided for the trip back to Calcuttawhere Brihminind wis admitted to the St. Mary's Nursing Home. He was operated on immediately according to the findings of in Xxxy tiken it the i Path a hospital. Although he was in considerable pain. Brahman and displayed commendable cool It was Di Durga Bhattacharjee in eminent orthopiedist who successfully oper ited on the custodi in. The doctor said He has the courage to be back at the Asiad comp within three months (Incidentilly. Brihmin and would have been the number one choice for the President (up tourn iment it Seoul) He has a compound fracture of the humerus Aplate and crew have been used on the irm is well is a fricture of 1

he has a cool temperament he should be back in form soon "

Relating the incident on May 24 at the Moinul Haq Stadium Brahmanand said "I shouted in agony, realising the extent of the damage done Now that the operation has been successful L have the confidence to return to the camp Why shouldn't I' I am very strong mentally Many players have had compound fractures and returned to the game Take Md Habib Sekhar an of Karnataka (now with East Ben gal) Harjinder and Inder Singh, to name a few They are all good exam ples He pauses for a while and This is the worst injury I continues have suffered in my eleven years under the bar in the senior ranks. The last time I suffered a leg injury was in 1969 when the bus I was travelling in overturned But it wasn't too serious The only other injuries I received were of the tingers - Knowing Brithm in and he will soon be back under the bar

Los Angeles next

WHO can forget that graceful darling of the crowd the girl whose immiculate performances at the Moscow Olympics earned her the title of the overall gymnastics champion. She was none other than 19 year old Flant Davidova. She recalls the difficult time she had in qualifying for the main lineup. Had it not been for a change in the rules with two tenths of a point being awarded for complicated elements. Flant would have mis ed the bus for the Moscow Games.

The Russian exponent is in no mood to stop there. She knows very well that she will have to continue with the hard vork it she is to ichieve further glory in the world men. She says. I am polishing up my new compulsory routine. So far the optional routines are the same as they were for the Moscow Games but I plan to introduce.



Arch rivals-Davydova (left) and Nadia

some changes for the continental competitions and then introduce a complete change for the world cham pionships

The diughter of a mechanic Elana was born in Voronez and took up gamnastics at the age of seven Later the family moved to Leningrad From a very early age she showed promise and was very serious about her work outs. But expert Inna Korshunov had doubts about her reaching the top grade because of her chubbiness. However, Inna groomed her for two years after which her husband Gen in ady took over. The results of the training manifested themselves at the Moscow Olympics. Even Nadia Comanect, the Montreal sensation, was surprised!

I lan a Davydov a is a real bookworm and spends a lot of time reading regardless of where she is She loves to drive and is a good cook too. Of her vital statistics, she smiles and says. added one centimetre to my height and 1.5 kilos to my weight, but I had to return to my previous weight of 34 kg I practise for tour hours a day—in the afternoon after studies at our sports school on Aptekarsky Avenue If ev erything goes well, I intend to compete through the whole four year period before Los Angeles Like Moscow I strongly believe the main challengers will once again be Nadia, Maxi Ghauck of GDR and Natalia Shaposhnikova my teammate So my next target is obviously the Los Angeles Games '



Champion ball-picker

ATTENTION and now, ladies and gentlemen, the name of our ball picker is Satti " No innouncer at the mike reading out the il imes of the rival teams and umpires it any big match at New Delhi's Shiva 11 Stadium dare omit a mention of Satti He is aware that out in the middle, Satti, spotless white balls clutched in his hands, is all eyes and

Satti, Satyanand to give him his full ind formal name will place the ball at the bully off spot only after he has he ird his name announced and waved his hand in acknowledgement. And shat a fussy ritual he makes of itrunning round and round in his progressingly decreasing circles till he puts the ball on the grass and beckons the centre forwards to bully off

The crowd loves it all and so do the players including ill those foreign is any who have performed at Delhi's

hockey he idquarters

But Sitti who has picked balls on invitation at most hockey centres in the country at one time or mother s is sadly missing during the Will Trophy Inter Zon il Tournament

What happened one naturally isked on sporting him it the ground during in interval one afternoon

What do you mean what hap pened he complained You Press will this have not bothered all these day to inquire about my health. You hid not even care to put in a line about \ hy Satti was not seen in this tourna ment. One Hindi daily did in fact. notice his absence but Satti thought that was not enough for a man as popular is he will

Producing his ho pital report from the pocket of his soiled shirt he said See this I have been all from I don't rnow what the doctors call it in Enlish Shiy Kumar Verma of the Nehru ourn iment sent me to the Suldarjang

Ho pital

So what You have had gastro-enteritis and at least some hockey reople have looked after you

But not you. And not all these reople who have seen Satti conduct

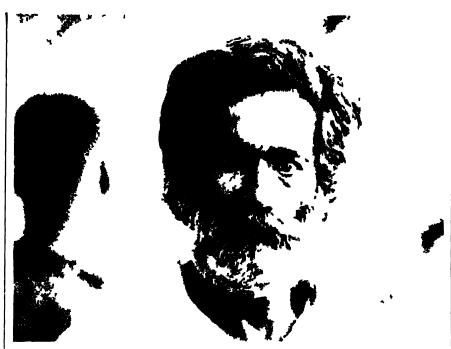
ing hockey matches

Yes Satti believe the is no ordinary bill picker. The phrie he uses to describe his work on hockey grounds is mummitch khilata hun like the way

impires say of themselves

No one clse date touch a ball on the delines when Satti is on duty. Very tow balls have been lost ever since Suti now 40 first made his appear mice at the Shiv iji Stidium long years to How did he happen to get in olved in the business of ball picking hich he has refined into a one man art very few know and fewer still care ! know For a man of his age Satti is cry tast on his feet and tireless too Important guests on the sofas close

to the sidelines are quite used to his comments and coaching. If a team ins. Satti is quite tempted to take the medit. The tactics were always laid b



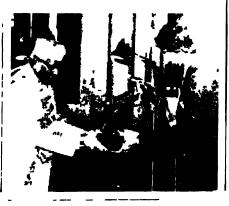
down by him. If it loses it is only (because the boxs did not play accordini to hi instructions. Sitti knows every player by his first name. An player he has not he aid of he regard is not worth knowing

Without Sitti hockey if the inter zonal tournament was not the same But the champion ball picker hope to be fit before long

Ready to do duty

VOLLYBALL international Suresh Kumu Mishri in Arjuni icci pient took a few days off from his club the I mir ite Sports Club of Abu Dhabi in the United Arib I mirite to reich Nes Delhi in time to receive the coveted award from President Redds Mishrahas signed a two vear contract with the club is a player and rets offended when somebody refer to him is a professional

The 28 year old Raja than piker said that three Indian international Jimmy George Manuel and Thomas who had signed earlier with the I mi rate Sports Club give the Abu Dhabi volleyball players stronuous practice Their job also involves promoting the game among the UAF youth Accord



ine to Mishra the UAF Government has been promoting sport in a big way ind has invited several star players from Yucoslavia Korea and Japan in Forder to help our with training schedule there The clubs are run on ub-rantial covernment grants although no club is allowed to return more than tyo o er eas players in its rink Over easplayer are paid for as well by the covernment

Jimm Coorke of Kerala was the fir t Indian player to be given the contract while his two other Kerala teammates Manuel and Joseph joined him between Suresh was next to be invited and joined the club on a tive figure monthly remuneration. The promotional programme of the UAL has been approved of by the International Volleyball Lederation and their job does not violite inv imiteur code

Suresh, who comes from a small villace Lik hmangah made his intern ational debut at the 1974 Jeheran Asi id representing the country again. it the Bangkok A i in Game in 1975 He also played against all visiting o crsc is to mis which toured the coun-A regular member of the Kotas Shriram Rayons team. Suresh helped his team win many all Indicatitles and ilso helped Rija th in make the finals of the national championship for three consecutive ve us

Sott spoken Sure h has grown in stature through hard work. He teels he still has a couple more vears of active volleyball in him and it is his ambition to play for the country at the 1992 Delhi Asiad II the Volleyball Ledera tion of India permit him and his three other friends to don India colours without attending the coaching cimp they are all valling to return at their own cost to as 1st the countral at the Virid Suresh is hopeful that the VII and the Centre will take a liberal view in this regard



News round-up

Shocking affairs in MPFA

JABAI PUR With legal matters almost settled and the Deb group at the helm of all ins in Madhya Pradesh. Jab alpur has now become the head quarters of the MP Football Association. But with this move king maker. Deb seems to have run berserk with the newly as umed poses of absolute majority. He has been faced with hos tile opposition in his own hometown from the Jab alpur District Football. Association for having taken ome unwarranted step, can the form ition of MPFA; that would warrant an enquiry and scruting by the All India Football.

The point (that tronsman Deb who rule the roat in MP football was outvoted in the 1979 80 JDFA elections II i h being the president of the MI Referee Board has centout that all IDEA toothall tourness top because none of the local or State referee cerato be cooperating when it come tree i di cting i IDLA tourn i ment on quentry the placer after be me a petropolitical wrinishing Hoyever of Deb tep of cetting Mr. An agreehour cot Jabalpur nomin ited is obtained from increasing State lead athough Mr M. Meht cot Childwar er the official free urer ha madematter or em Jabalpur So men other the tudent union of Lib doia i i ci it hick never in

warned Mr Deb that the time has now come when things could erupt at any moment

The reason for their discontent is that Mr Amarjit Sharma was arrested by the police on April 12 1980 here under section 420 of the Indi in Penal Code for having the ited people of money amounting to thousands of rupees while he was a clerk at the local Canara Bank. He wis released on bail but suspended from the bank and the case is lying pending in court. Mr Deb's contention is that since Mr Mehta lives at Chindwith the MPF A needs the assistance of another man to look into the day to day fin inciditing

The second thing is the intighting in the Deb group itself. The whole court case was fought against Mr Har bins Singh of Durg on the ground that Mr Manager Singh is the official secretary of the MPI A But Mr Deb has also seen to it that Mr Mishra vice president of the MPFA has been nomin ited is the office sccretary re quired to look into all correspondence Mr Manager Singh will therefore have only to sign the papers and documents concerned. The reason being that Mr. Manager Singh of late has been in directly supporting IDFA officials who defeated the Deb group in the local district elections. Buc iuse of these underhand methods football in the State is now at its lowest ebb. Where is MP jumor basketball and hockey to ans performed extremely well in the re pective Nationals this year the junior toothall te im had to tace humi-

were found overage after a medical test

SU JEET MOHANTY

Deep concern

INDORE Babulal Parasher the 77 ve it old vice president of the Madhya Pradesh Hockey Association and a contemporary of the late hockey wizard Dhy in Chand, and Shanker Laxm in-one of the stalwarts of Indi an hockey - has expressed deep concern over the latest amendments in hockey rules. Mr Parasher is of the opinion that the replacement of the bully off by the backpass would create problems if the time of a common fault which also requires bullying off Further if the time lactor is the main criterion behind the introduction of the backpass then it would mean that a toss would precede the resumption of the game. This will also definitely cause a delay in the start of the game

Again the replacement of the side push by the hit would be more advantageous to the Europeans than the Indians because trapping the ball off a powerful hit has been one of the strong points of the I uropeans where as this has been one of our weak points in international tournaments in recent

ye ars

Further, about umpiring Mr Para sher contends that the changes in the rules of modern hockey have made the whistlemen even more powerful than Hitler or Mussolini But it is lament able thit very few Indian umpires save Narvaria and a couple of others have of late been acquainted with the latest international rules like the

validity of left hand tackling. So frequent seminars should be held for Indian umpires so that they can familiarise themselves with the current

rules

Mr I axm in says that he had made the prediction in Sportsworld that ma yor changes in nockey rules before the World Cup and the Los Angeles Olym

pics would be forthcoming

The introduction of a backpass in the manner of football and the shoul der hit like in cricket has obliter ited the delicate artistry of hockey. It is now force which dominates over artistry. Mr. Gentle used wrist work with the help of his 15 ounce stick to convert corner. But definitely a European converting corners with his 25 ounce stick and an over the shoulder hit would be tantamount to something like the murder of a goalkeeper.

It is a pity that the art of hockey has been given a decent burial with the 25 yard bully converted into 16 yard freehit if the ball crosses the goal line

off a defender s stick

In modern hockey, almost every thing has been redated to the hit and there is little scope for a player to display the artistry of his wrist work reverse flicks etc. Even if we have the artistry it is doubtful whether we can win in the face of all these changes in the rules.

SUJEFT MOHANTY

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CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Square cutforsix QUESTION landed in the bar

A square cut into the Bar was among eight that decorated one of cricket's tastest and most dazzling innings The match was Nottingh imshire ver sus Sussex the scene Hove and the batsman a Notts man who-

- Scored 189 (out of 227) in 90 minutes
- Put on 142 of those runs in 40 minutes the list 89 tiking 15 minutes
- At one stage scored 115 out of 120 in seven overs taking 22 from one over by a slow left hander and 34. (1 6 6 4 4 6) from mother over which included two no balls from the same bowlers

Live of the hurric me hitter seight sixes came off this bowler and in his book Hit for Six Ger ild Brodribb There is no doubt that one of these came off a square cut or rather a jab which went square and through a window in the pavilion Brigadier Cl Tudor who was play ing in the match (for Sus exists it wat he only time he had ever seen a square cut for six even though

there was a shortish boundary on that side

Brodribb quoted the celebrated Not tingh imshire batsman George Gunn as siving his team mate scut went straight into the bar and resulted in broken bottle of whisky and glas ses allower the place

Brodribb described the batsman as bit but finely proportioned said he hit firm tooted but with a full free swing that was glorious to see and claimed the innings included the most powerful hitting in the whole history of the game

H S Althamin A History of Crick et wrote. He drove like Jehu ind he cut the ball tull pitch into the pavilion. Lor po ver and pace com bined this is probably the most remarkable piece of hitting in the whole history of county cricket The innings ended when the bats man made another huge hit but for once got under the ball and was caught by a fieldsman right up ag unst a stand

Brodribb said there was no doubt that the fieldsman's feet were over the boundary so that in fact the batsman was not out and the hit was really his ninth six Both spectators and fielders proto tod but the butsman left the field imid ilmost hysterical applause Live days later Notts had a good batting day against Gloucestershire and the hard hitter did not come in until just after 6 o clock. But be

tween then and the close of play at 6.30 he scored 60 out of 80 reaching 53 in 23 minutes

Once again he drove turnously and hit four sixes—three huge on drives ind one straight. He made his 60 like this 1 3 3 2 1 4 6 4 1 6, 3 1, 63634

QUESTION .

Who was the Notts man who In successive

innings separated by five days scored 249 runs in two hours batting?

As Australia began the 1978 79

series against Ingland they had as captain a player making his debut in Anglo Australi in Tests—Graham Yallop At Lient Bridge in 1935 an England player had a similar experi ence. When Bob Wyatt at the last minute had to pull out of the first fest with a broken thumb England were led by a player making his first Lest appearance against Australiain opening batsm in who scored 46 in I ngland's second innings The substitute captain's 46 was top score in the England second innings tot il of 141 following a first innings total of 265 in reply to Australia's 374 and 273 for 8 declared, Australia winning by 238 In the second Test of the 1934 series this player contributed an elegant 82 to an 1 ngland total of 440 which gave them victory by an innings and 38 runs and in the drawn third and tourth Tests he returned the useful doubles of 52 and 50 not out and 44 and 45 respectively. In the fifth Test, won by Australia by 562 runs (701 and 327 to 321 and 145) his 64 was second top score to Maurice Ley

land s 110 in England's tirst innings

Who captained England in his I maiden Test

against Australia?

Record for Test runs score in a calendar year belongs to West Indi an Viv Richards who accumulated 1 710 in the 11 Tests he crammed into the first eight months of 1976 Richards seized the record from Au stralia's Bob Simpsop, who, in 14 Tests in four countries in 1964 amassed 1 381 runs, beating Denis Compton s 1 159 in nine Tests in three countries in 1947 Before Simpson's record was demolished by Richards, it had narrowly escaped a challenge from in Englishman.

QUESTION Can you identify the challenger?

Only five batsmen have held the record score for an innings in Test matches between England and Au stralıa

QUESTION

Can you name them?

Answers to last week striquiz

- 1 Arthur Gilligan His 6.7 and 5/83 were taken against South Africa in 1924, the vear he led an MCC team to Australia
- Mike Denness who hit 188 on the sixth Test of the 1974 75 series. This match on the Melbourne Cricket Ground, was won by an innings and four runs by Figland, who scored 529 Australia won the first Test by 166 runs and the second by nine wickets, the third was drawn Australia won the fourth by 171 runs and the fifth by 163 runs "The explanation for the remarkable tur nabout in the sixth Test," said Wisden was that Jeff Thomson was out of the match while a bruised foot restricted Dennis Lillee to six overs
- 3 Walter Hammond in the first innings of the drawn second Test at Lord's in 1938 He was finally bowled by Frnie McCormick
- 4 CA (later Sir Aubrey) Smith the film star He captained England against South Africa in 1889 The match, which marked South Africa's introduc tion to Test cricket, ended in an Eng land win by eight wickets. Batting at No 8 Sir Aubrey scored 3 He did much better with the ball, taking 5/19 and 2'42

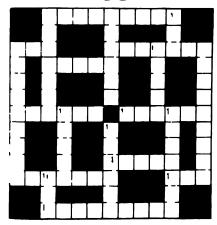
Rannt Ghose

QUESTIONS

- 1 Is Kalimullah Pakistan's hockey nght winger a relation of Samiullah, another great in Pakistan's hockey?
- Which was the first hockey competition to be played on an artificial turi?
- Which is the highest margin of victory so far in World Cup hockey?
- 4 Who led Pakistan in the first ever hock
- ey Test series against India? Who was called Speedy Sam in international hockey?
- Who was the highest hockey goal scor er in the Moscow Olympics?
- Who scored the highest number of hockey goals for India in the Moscow Olympics?
- What does BP stand for in B P Govinda's name'
- Whose goal gave India her first victory in the Asian Games hockey tourna ment /
- 10 Pakistan defeated India in the Sixth Asian Games (Bangkok) hockey final scoring the goal in the sudden death period What was the exact time?

ANSWERS

- 97th minute
- Balbir Singh (Railway)
- Billimoga Puttaswamy
- Surinder Singh who scored its goals
- Thins of w (niggs) JamA naul winger in the world in his time Samiullah who was the faste t left
- uppnyeisi
- Prisibili Janispa ebilabris 0 e a natala P 8781 ni ani anno 1978 an Buend ta Stadium Montreal (July 1927 1976)
- The Pre Olympic tournanient at Mulair Yes He is Samiuliah - younger brolling



ACROSS

- 1 Badminton player ends with three minus two (1 8)
- 1 Tailormade stroke (3)
- 5 Railways after a tough tussle--en ∣

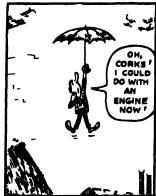














tered the last Santosh Trophy final

- returning (4 3)
 8 To be fit for sport you must take this vehicle regularly (5)
- -Becker won the 1968 Olympics peritathlon (6) 11 Swimming stroke
- 14 Charles girl is a mixed up gymnast (5)
- 15 Not in touch begins a brand of Table Tennis balls (7
- A horsy grumbler (3)
- 18 Footballer surname is a combination of Mihir and Pankaj (1 8) **DOWN**
- 1 The shot and the green have this in common (7)
- 2 Moses s predecessor hailed from this country (6)
- This rising, happened only at Bris bane (3)
- 6 Renee Richards was once a-but now a- (2 3)
- 7 If a novice tries this he will be floored (9) 10 The latter part of this Cup kept by

- Brazil (5)
- 12 Baseballer Hank Aarons played for these Braves (7)
- 13 Wrestling the sport of-and groans comes back (6)
- 16 Squats ascending (3)

(Solutions next week)

uestion

M ibrahim Bhatkal

Q What is Fazal Mahmood's record as a captain

A Leading Pakistan in 10 Tests Fazal Mahmood has won 2 Tests lost 2 and the remaining 6 Tests were drawn. He won the toss 6 times

Q What is the world record for the last wicket partnership?

A 151 runs between B F Hastings and R O Collinge of New Zealand in the Auckland Test vs Pakistan in 1972 73

Tuisidas Patel Harihar

Q What does P stand for in B P Patels name?

A Parasuram which is his father's name

Arun Roy Barauni

Q What were Vivian Richards scores in the series against Australia in 1975 76 England in 1976 and Pakistan in 1976

A U and 12 at Brisbane 12 at Perth 14 and 36 at Melbourne 44 and 2 at Sydney 30 and 101 at Adelaide 50 and 98 at McIbourne in 1975 76 in Australia 232 and h3 at Nottingham 4 and 135 at 1 Manchester bb and 38 at Leeds 291 it the Oval in England in 1976 and 32 and 92 at Bridgetown 4 and 10 at Port of Spain 50 at Georgeti which is and 3 at Port of Spain and 5 and 7 at Kington Pakistan in 1976.7

Chandan Ghosh, Pushpakendu Khan, Caicutta

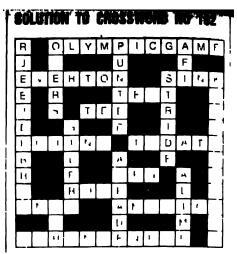
Q What is the world Test serial number of the Test played between New Zealand and India in 1981 at Auckland?

A 899th out of a total of 902 up to 11 5 1981

Sharatchandra Parichha Mayurbhani

Q Which batsman has scored maximum run in an over against which bowler and whi n

A 25 by B Sutcliffe and R W Blair of New Zeilland off H J Tayfield's (South Africal hiball over And 24 by Aridy Robert of West Indies off Ian Botham a (England) in ball over as well as by J. F. M Morrison of New Zealand off Imran Khans iPaki tani 6 ball over



Last week squiz

This weeks guiz

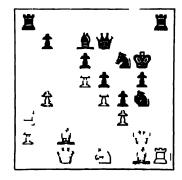
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17 B - KB4 Kt K5 18 R - QB1 P - KKt4

19 Q - Q4 R - KKI1 20 R x Kt P x R 21 B Q6 B x Bch 22 Q x Bch K - K12 23 R - B7ch K - R3 24 Q K7 Q - K13 25 Kt - K5 Q - K12 26 Kt - K14ch K - K13

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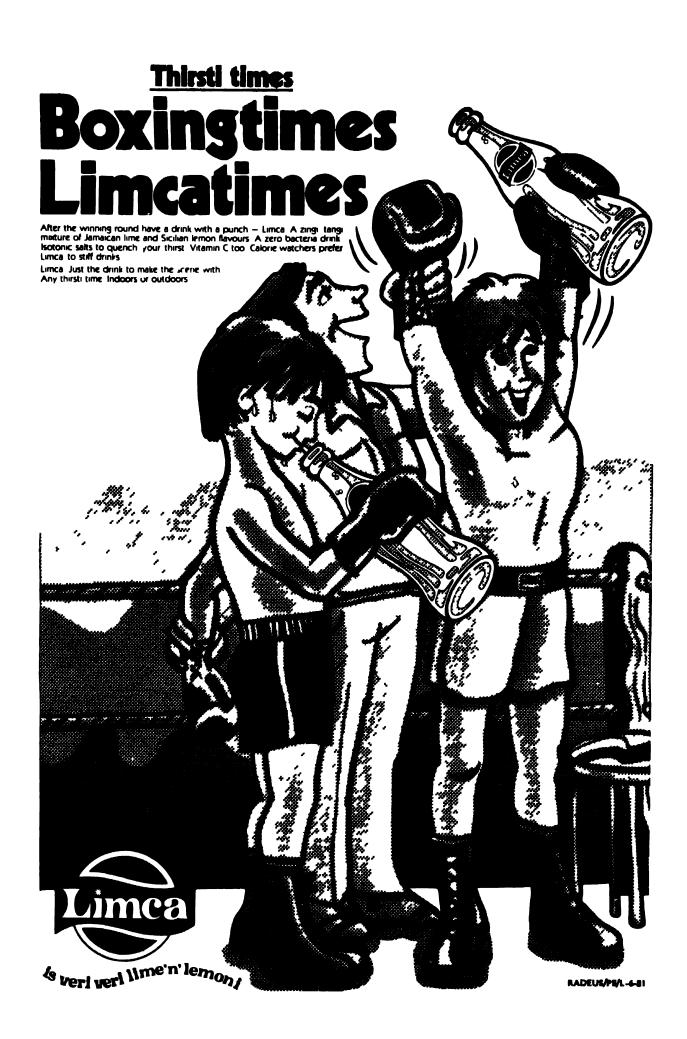
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Wimbledon contende 5 American hero John McEnroe should
emerge the winner of the world 5 premier teams tournament,

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Letters to the Editor

World Cup

THE limited over game true cricket or not is here to stay However to have the World Cup decided on a one day game is appalling because the limited over game is it is plived today suffers from the following major (among other) drawbacks (a) batsman does not get a second chance and thereby the question of luck is very great (b) The captain's role is reduced to a minor one since the haidling and changing of the bowlers is largely restricted and the option of declaration is climinated (c) A bowler performing well cannot be persisted with for more than one fifth of the total overs while even an out of form bowler has to be persisted with

In the light of these factors. I suggest that in the World Cup every match should be of two innings The general format should be a two day match of 120 overs per side subject to a maximum of 80 overs in inv one innings lach bowler should be restricted to a maximum of 24 over in the entire match without inv restrictions. The semi finils and the final should be three day affairs 180 overs per side subject to a maximum of 120 overs in any one innings I ich bowler should be restricted to a maximum of 36 overs in the entire match without any restrictions These changes would make the world Cup more me mingful and reduce the luck factor to a large extent

SANTANE GHOSH Calcutta

Better understanding needed

ARTICLES by various sportsmen on 'Are cricketers pampered made interesting reading I was particularly interested to read the views of Surajit Sengupta and Gurbux Singh, two non cricketers While fully agreeing with these eminent sportsmen that all should be treated

alike there are certain points I would like to make

It a cricketer is enjoying benefits it is purely due to the thoughtfulness and selfless work of people who are generally interested in cricket and cricketers. If one analyses the facts cricketers were no better than what other sportsmen are today till 1971. When India won its first ever Test in the West Indie things started happening And it is to the credit of the Board of Control for cricket in India that cricketers have been Roard benefite d l he negotiated with Various Test playing countries for frequent tours and in some casés twin tours. When it term is touring the country or the term is abroad money is generated through the gates the Press who are looking for sport activities to fill the columns will pay attention taking idvintage of the situation companies would come forward to ponsor and put in money ind in return Let publicity. the players in turn concentrate all the time since if they want to play for India they have to be inpeak form when money comes into the coffer of the Lederation Board through Eites sponsor hip — player ire also benefited ind the kame itself kets a boost and more youngster, would take to it ifter witching the international tais. These ire positive gun

Unfortunately like football and hockey (India's pride) are not well catered to I would be very interested to know how many teams from abroad ha e isited India in these two games and as to how many teams India has sent abroad Participating just in Olympics World Cup and the Asian Games is not enough This Indian cricket team also does so every tour scirs But Test matches, both it home and abroad ire the real thing

Indians by nature crave for and patronise international competition. And this is where the administration comes in They should plan their international commitments in such a way that players are not only engaged but

enough money is generated for them and also to keep the game going at all levels If the BCCI is rupees one crore plus, it is all generated through Test matches If a hockey team from abroad plays Tests against India in the north and western India where the game is more popular than many other parts of the country people will come flooding to watch the matches And if the tours can be on a reciprocal basis, valuable foreign exchange can be earned

A look at the Test matches played by the Indian cricket team both in India and abroad will give us an indication of number of Test matches they have played 1971tour of West Indies 1971 tour of England 1972 73 England in India 1974 tour of England 1974.75 West Indics in India 1975-World Cup 1975 76—twin tour of New Zealand and 1976 77 West Indies England in India 1978-tour of Pakistan 1973 79 -West Indies in India 1979tour of England and World 1979 80— Australia Cup Pakistan and England in 1980 81 tour of India Australia and New Zealand and in 1981 92 I ngland will come here I wonder it such continuous international activities take place in any other sport let a tootball team from Russia play in east west and south India and I shall be dimned it money is not generated

The national tederations must have their own money and not depend on the Covernment all the time Government have money but they can give only a limited amount to sports and the amount is not adequite. It pains me to see the lot of trainees who have come to Hyderabad in preparation for the Asian Games They have been cramped in dormitories which lack basic amenities and the tood nourishment wise is rather madequate Training conditions track ctc are bad to say the least. The track is most uneven with potholes and loose soil Under such training conditions how does one expect the athlete to perform well?

Once there was a hue and cry when we lost in hockey having hid to play on astro turf. If our players

do not practise on such surface, they are bound to faul If the national federations in these games had money of their own I am sure they would have gone great lengths to provide the best of playing facilities and basic and Players amenities and officials are complementary to each other. One cannot do without the other, but what is required is close lialison and better understanding between the two for the betterment of all concerned

P R MANSINGH Secunder (bad

Concern

NOTABLE feature of A the interzonal hockey championships was that a large proportion of the goals came through penalty corners and penalty strokes This is a cause for concern as the forte of Indian hockey has always been stickwork as a result of which we have scored more field goals. An alarmingly large number of penalty corners and strokes were conceded during championship This clearly shows the weakness of our detence In fact reports have stated that the deliber itely detenders conceded penalty corners instead of tackling the invaders I im surprised by the proposal of the Hockey Rules Board to replace the bully with a pies back Besides being the most aesthetic feature of hockey the bully is the most logical way of starting the game. Ag un the bully has always tavoured the Asians who depend on stickwork, unlike the Europe ins who depend On DOWER

JAIMIN M BHATI Bombay

No more

OMF years back when a Ovoung cricket journalist sought the opinion of the late D R Jardine regarding use of light metres for settling disputes appeals against light the England lest former captain had sarcastically countered that why should not there be some electronic device to resolve disputes over controversial leg before wicket decisions? He went on to advise the young man that the good old game of cricket should be allowed to remain in the way it was ! meant to be The situation has since been radically changed and in these days ultra professionalism, cricket like tennis is no longer a gentleman's game in the old sense of the term So why does not the ICC seriously consider question of introducing modern gadgets to be used by the umpires umpires have to perform their duties under extreme pressure and this would enable them to arrive at correct decisions. It will avoid any controversy from either side which in turn will put in end to the present day rancour among cricketers

SAMIR SIN Durg ipui

Error

THI RF is in error in the Clive Lloyd profile in the Sportsworldditted Max 6 Paritours is that David Cower was the highest scorer for England with 376 run. It one looks back it page 21 of the Arril 29 is ue one will find that Griham Gooch i the higher corer with 460 runs

SUBHASH RAMACHANDRAM Bomba

Request

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SHARMII A CUHA Billy in North

Negligence

Till swimming pool it coach who besides his coaching duties performs those of a lifeguard as well However the shortcomings of our NIS coaches were all laid bare when a promising swimmer wis drowned recently The incident a'so showed up the gross negligence on the part of the authorities Since the pool here does not even hive a lifeguard the coach dived into the water to sive the promising youngster Caridhar in But the coach's efforts were woefully inadequate A foreign lady then dived underwater and came up with the box Despite her best efforts, she could not save the lad Indeed, after her valiant attempt, she found that her electronic wristwatch had been taken away by one or the onlookers

Coming back to the standard of some of the Indian coaches, it wa indeed appalling to see this an NIS trained coach proved unequal to the task which ultimately had to be performed by a lady Mind you the NIS tig gives i coach the highest qualification in the country If this is the case with so called highly qualified coaches God save our

P S MOSS Trivandrum

Undoing

Of late there has been tremendous backing in the Press for old warhorse like Hetcher Brearley and Boycott to lead the English cricket te im igainst Austra ha it home and India later

in the year

This has always been the undoing of English cricket The selection of the team has invariably been governed by a conservative and safety first attitude. Ans keen ob civer of English domestic cricket would have noticed the abundant oung tilent available there What Inclind need hidly today is a young team skippered by a young fight. mg and enthusiastic cap tun Im Bothims dis istrous record in the West Indies both is a captain and a player no doubt is too much to swallow for the lov ers of the same in Lingland But miracles can't be brought about just by resurrecting a veteran who has hung up his boots long back as far as Test cricket is concerned, to take his place Botham is too young and talented to warrant such haish treatment in the hands of the selectors A man of his talent and ap plication is bound to come to terms with himself sooner or later the way David Gow er the blue eved boy of the team established himself after a long poor showing The selectors would there fore do well to continue with Botham, rather than demoralise this great fight er by acting in haste C R PANCHANATHAN

New Delhi

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ANY TAKERS?

Essex It wouldn't have happened in 1966 the year England won the World Cup. A football autographed by the present English soccer squad is up for auction but there are no hidders. The football was presented by a well wisher to a likeal school to help buy a new bus to take pupils on Educational trips. The school authorities thought they were un a winner but later learnt that the item was not any autohunters dream.

EAT DRINK AND BE LIMBER

Chicago Jock's Restaurant situated in the Lakeshore Health Club serves a variety of health food dishes. However under each item in the menu is written R 21 J 21 S 29 T 41 the type and duration of exercise required to burn off all those extra calories in each of the dishes consumed. Women diners especially after devouring a chicken salad are advised to repair to the adjacent gym to either run for 21 minutes. Jog for 21 minutes. Swim for 29 minutes or play tennis for 41 minutes. Apparently food is good, but each ruse is better

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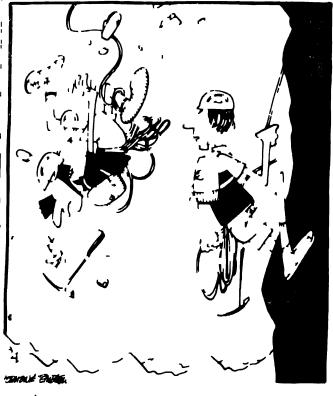
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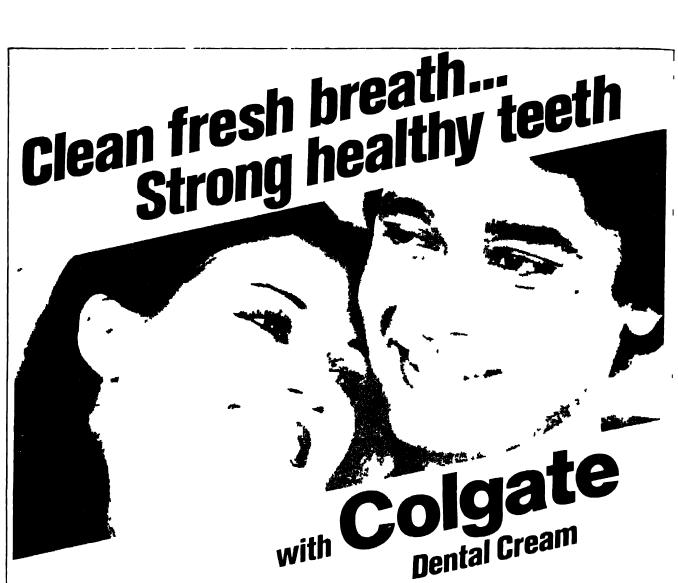
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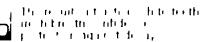
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County Cricket Review

Weather the main problem

ASHIS RAY reports

THE desperate thing about the English season so far i the lack of ricket due to the weither Mr. hr dready gone down as one of the worst. n record in Cod know how many years and at the receiving end are not only the Countries but the Australians ander Kim Hughe, who with the lick it experience in the side need the practice more han that required by most of their predece sor-

Middle ex-WITHERS Schwippe. Champion hip and the allette Cuplet eur for in time ire and to be loons mone in the rate of £ 00 a day when not playing and the dimination three accumulated to quite a bit as I is also come to their periough not to encourage a single force in ibility to compete because of rain or readual vetue the find them elves chiminated from the benon and Hedges Cup the first stage of shich is conducted on a league bala. A similar fate has befallen Northumpron the detending champion in the Ben on and Hedge. In hort a but of a maalthough the esterior it crough to jurie the trivial of nature would t perhap not here with that

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Lust of all let a examine the important recruitment and transfer Undoubted the most ensuronal occurrence in the nearly been the Signini up of Jeff Homson by Middle ex Thi London Count had actually degreed the cavite of oung Kipil Dev Lut the Indian turned do vithe offer on ground of not winting to tire himself further after the exhausting tour of Australia and New Interestingly Zed and - nough therefore Middlesex opted for econd best agreat tribute to the abilitie of the Harymallid (Kapil Dev has since accepted a contract from Nelon Cricket Club in the Lincishire League which keeps him busy only on weekends) Thus Thomson now partners Wayne Daniel to form a fearsome duo and one which it given the opportunity by the climate can cause real havoc

No less stirring was the inclusion of Michael Holding in the Lancashire summer in squad—an unit led by Clive Livyd this Lancashire

ve it -but this Jamaican is available for mid week games only as he is fied up with Rishton in the league on Siturdays and Sundays. The same applic to Andy Roberts (formerly with Himpshire enticed Leicestershire But in this case the investment is a definite gamble for the County ince the Antiguan is no longer a young as he used to be and rackling two assignments at the same time could prove slightly overwhelming

MOST of the overse is talent it is used in the West Indies with fast bowlers not surprisingly dominating the ammigration or return Infact Yorkshire, who are conserutive ninci from the time the gites were thrown open so to speak in 1968 have been eithing in their critics mot the recent football type whi king in of player. They voiced their grievance let on when Sometset signed up Sanil Civiskir as replacement to Vivian Richards and have done so again in the instances of Holding Roberts and Thomson

but the trend is not restricted to out ider a one. This season for example Wirwickshire won over the ervice of the promising I meashire fit bowler Willie Horr, and the was label. y led a being in bid tiste by the force granted chiller opportunity to the medium picer Peter Allott who he ided their bowling iverages list year although not on the basis of many matche. And grabbing the chance this tall man with a smooth action is currently heading the wickers tills with a bag of 24 victim. He also claims the best bowling figures of the cion so fur with a hauf of 5 for 45. ver us Northamptonshire Indeed in the week which is being reviewed he collected ix more against Yorkshire to enlarge his kitty to the pre-entnumber Incidentally the most hand ome boyling iverage goes to the credit of the West Indian Solve for Clarke back with Surrey his efforts amounting to 15 wickets at 10.93

In batting among others Clive Rice Divid Gower Mike Gatting Bar ry Wood and Jim Love of Yorkshire are all among the runs in a big way with the first mentioned topping the iveriges with 5933 and the list named notching up the highest aggre-Late with exactly 400 runs. Love by the way got his third ton of the summer in the 'Roses tre against Player of the week

Clive

BEING saddled with the rather onerous responsibility of nam ing the player of the week I feel, is a bit like delivering judgement without a jury and the arbitrary role could give rise to verdicts that become debatable

This week, though, one is confi dent about not being confronted with much opposition The nominee Clive Edward Butler Rice, the master all rounder and captain of Nottinghamshire At the end of the seven days under focus, Notts top the Schweppes County Championship table with 31 points, two points ahead of Middlesex And there is no denying that the 31 year old South African's leagership has been one of the key factors in his County's present showing Notts have also qualified for the quarter finals in the Benson and Hedges tournament

But there is more to Rice's accomplishment than that In the match against Middlesex at Trent Bridge, the skipper, this week hit a brilliant innings of 117 not out Of course the match finished inde cisively due to the weather. But the quality and texture of the knock can, by no means be undervalued Middlesex possess possibly the best attack in County cricket compris-ing, as it does Thomson Daniel Selvey, Emburey and Edmonds, not to torget young Simon Hughes, who will be available later on in the season Yet, Rice got his tuns with the utmost ease

Clive Rice's is an unique record Sacked from the captuncy by his County when he joined World Series Cricket in 1977 he was rein stated to the post last year, after truce was declared between the 'Establishment and the 'rebels and he steered his side to third position in the championship—the best the County has managed in 50

He is an useful medium pace howler and indeed opens the bowling for his team—his partner being the redoubtable Richard Hadlee But it's in batting that he has really shone hitting 1871 runs in first class matches in 1978 with an average of 66.52 -his most impressive to date. However, his opponents fear him he mot in over limit meeting, and he has the outstanding distinction of accumulating 814 runs in the John Player League alone in 1977 Ot course he has not figured in any official Test

nroe should wi

VIJAY AMRITRAJ assesses the Wimbledon contenders in an exclu-ASHOK KAMATH and DAVID McMAHON interview with

PORTSWORLD Vijas could you | Dexplain what makes Wimbledon so different from other tournaments? There is no real tournament that de termines the world champion but Wimbledon is the event that everyone wants to win, more than any other What is it that sets Wimbledon apart from all others?

VIIAY In my opinion Wimbledon is definitely the greatest sporting event in the world. I suppose it has

something to do with the wiv in which I have been brought up I have ilways looked on it as being something very special a tournament en dowed with some thing something int ingible some thing that you can never really define no matter how hard you try I suppose it is all this that makes Wimbledon un

I have always regarded at 4 being in a class

suppose no I'm sure that I will always do to I might as well point out that Wambledon holds a special significance for us Indians. Yes, it is special to players from all over the world but we have a special regard for Wimble don But there have been changes in the last ten years

SPORTSWORLD What sort of

changes VIJAY Changes is far as the fore ign players are concerned especially the Americans I suppose it has some think to do with the fact that the top players at Wimbledon are usually the Americans Let me explain Despite the fact that the US players dominate Wimbledon a lot of Americans do not even bother to make the trip although they are excellent players. I'm not quite sure how or why this tendency has developed I don teven agree with their reasoning I feel that if a person is good enough to play he should take part So what if he knows that his compatriots—who are all taking part are good enough to beat him? One should not play with this sort of an attitude at Wimbledon To this extent 1 I sincerely feel that professional tennis has taken a va, a great deal of the glory that was once synonymous with Wimbledon

SPORTSWORLD But isn't Wimble don reputed to be the most expensive tournament from a player's viewpoint?

VIJAY Yes there are no two ways about that It is without a doubt the most expensive fortnight. We have our own hassles with accommodation and

that, more than anything else, it is tradition that makes Wimbledon what It 157 VIJAY Oh ves without a doubt

it's the tradition. A person coming to I ondon the weekend, before Wimble don will find taxi drivers discussing the prospects of so and so against so and so. It's infectious Everyone's caught up in it and you can't really escape

In a sense people live Wimble

don if you know what I mean Its dressing well it's ! eating strawber ries and cream teven though you have to pay through the no e to do that now Sometimes the strawberries and cre im the worse than you can ever imagine but to you they still taste good That | in essence I suppose is whit Wimbledon doe to you

Tve played all [over the world in most countries Ive even played

in places where just one tournament has ever been played like Canton and Santiago or Vienna. You try comparing these centres to Wimbledon and its like putting Nijinsky beside a cart horse I m not saving I haven tenjoyed playing in these places. You can't help but enjoy it because the whole place is always agog with excitement at the event and if you're a part of it you can't help but be carried away Yet after all s said and done, Wimbledon is

the queen of tennis tournaments
SPORTSWORLD The day is going to come when you will have to decide whether it is worth playing Wimble don or not What are you going to take into account while making your deci Sions

VIJAY (Emphatically) I don t ever want to feel that I didn't give it my best shot I ve been around almost ten years already, but I don't have any regrets I've done my best But to get back to your question, the first thing I'll take into account is whether I've taken it seriously, whether I missed out on anything that was really within



by it elf and I M Erroe a activat Wimbledon last year

there are always a host of problems l that confront anyone playing Wimble don for instance over the last tew years, the dollar hasn't been doing too well against the pound but that is just one example. The weather is another drawback because one seldom sees the sun in Figland. The practice facilities too are not as good as they should be

Wimbledon was a part of the Grand Prix at first but all that has changed now To me however nothing will reduce the glory of Wimbledon The thing is I m not sure how many other pros would agree with me on that point. If Yannick Noah had the choice between the French Open and Wimb ledon he would probably choose the tormer

One thing is for sure Wimbledon will never fail to attract the top stars Fortunately since 1973 they have in troduced changes to ensure that the tournament is on the same footing as others when it comes to the financial aspect This means that you are not

losing by playing it
SPORTSWORLD So would you say

my grasp I'm doing everything to eliminate the "ifs" I want to know that I've given it the utmost The day I teel I have no chance at all of winning. Wimbledon, that's when I'll call it a day That's the day I'll stop playing for a living. I'll still play Oh ves I'll still play, but it won't be my top priority

SPORTSWORLD Let's come to the players. The first name that comes to mind is obviously that of Bjorn Borg, who made it known some time ago that he wants to go down in history as the greatest player ever How close do you think he is to his goal?

VIJAY Pretty damn close that's for sure You know I consider myself fortunate to have played alongside two of the greatest players of all time SPORTSWORLD Which two?

VIJAY Rod I ever and Bjorn Borg Record wase or for that matter in any aspect, they cannot be equalled Laver had talent and flair in equal proportions that was what made him so unique. In my opinion only one other player matched him in that Ilic Vastase. You know there are four players whom I would pay up to a hundred dollars to watch—Laver Resewall Nastase and Connois.

Recently when they were playing the Hall of Fame tournament which clashed with one in which I will playing I went to watch Liver and Rosewall in action rather than see a McFnioe Gottfried game. Given the choice these are the guy whom I would do anything to watch in action I don't think there is invone who is a pable of matching their tilents in the near future. Borg of course is the most brilliant player today and everyone seems psychologicalisation at Wimbledon.

SPORTSWORLD Since you have played with and against Borg for so many years could you tell us what sort of a person he is off the court?

VIJAY Well I probably know him better than most of the other Luss on the circuit Our name a ame out of the hat together, so to speak

hat together so to speak SPORTSWORID Connors too

VIJAY Yes Connors is well but I teel I know Bork better He is shy in introvert. He is not the kind of person who would come up to you ind stirt a conversation. Oh no not Bjorn. He hates cockful parties ind receptions despite the first that they are an integral part of the professional circuit. He would rather stay at home of an evening.

He shuns publicity totally. At first he found it difficult to handle the Press but he has settled down now and has no problems on this core. Although he is a genius on court he doesn't know much about whit is happening off it.

His smartest move was getting married to Mariana because she has changed him to some extent. At least he dresses decently now. The credit for that, of course goes to her

Believe it or not he used to dress like a slob before and never cared about what he wore just as long as he



Mariana and Biorn Borg His smartest move was getting married at least he dresses decently now

telt comfortable in it. It all of us were dies ed formally, chances were that Bjorn would show up we iring a tatty pair of jeans which he would be quite happy to we ir non-stop for the next few yeek. But as I said Mariana is chancing his autorial habits.

We invited him to Anand engagement party is a special guest. We were not sure whether he would come or not and so I was more than surprised when he accepted the invitation eagerty saving. Ye that it is Now the show was being held at in Indian restaurant in New York sto I.



Borg, of course, is the most brilliant player today and everyone seems psyched against him at Wimbledon

told him he youldn't have to worr about the tood that we would make special arrangement, for him

Sure enough he landed up right on time at half part eight that evening alone with his wife and Lennart Bergelin and I sat them aloneside Anand and Helen I got up to make a peech and said a few word about Bjorn I ended by isking him to say something although I didn't think he would speak longer than about ten econds.

To my great surprise—and that of all the others present—he jumped up with alacrity. I was thunderstruck because I know just how much he hates microphones. Even Marrana was open mouthed—with—shock—She

couldn't believe that Bjorn was actually getting up to talk

He spoke very well too As a matter of fact I didn think he was ever going to top. He spoke is it it was omethink he did every other day and I dink omeone timed him as having poken for fifteen minutes. I think that wis the en ation of the evening reall. He was ver kind and a racious individually praise for An and He spoke very spont aneous lond be heve me both. Lennart Bergeha and Mariana were dumbfounded. Piorn a enerally had a very kood time which I thought var pretry unique.

SPORTSWORLD Are you and Borg so close that ou would correspond with each other after your playing days are over

VIJAY No I doubt it I don't think we would cerre pond. Our interests ite so ver different. He is quite happy going to his i lind and a itersking while I wouldn't like to do in t that die in and divous. On the other hand, it is met ten sears from now that would be great. We veshared too much in our years on the circuit to be able to forget it ever. If we met is a is no matter after how long it ouldn't make the lightest difference. The cars would tall away and the ame putit of friendship would article ence more.

SPORTSWORLD You said most players are psyched by Borg at Wimbledon Do you me in that players who can be at him anywhere else in the world just cannot pull it off at Wimbledon or is it something deeper than that?

uck VIJAY I mean its i kind of combination It's not Borg alone It's not Wimbledon alone It's Borg and She Wimbledon together that go to defeat

Mayer's appetite

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Gene (left) and Sandy Mayer

APART from tennis according to Vijix the most unique thing about up and coming Gene Mixer is his lependary appetite. I swear I im not exaggerating, but I have never seen invoic eat the way this give does. It is really phenomenal and I m sure his appetite would earn Gene a place in the Guinness Book at World Records if he bothered to try

He is very lucky that he is making a lot of money from tennis or elle he would find it impossible to pay his food bills which must really be very steep. I'm sure the major part of his earnings goes on his stemach. And yet the stringerthing about it is that this chap never part on an weight at all He sakings despite the vist quantity of food he eats.

Honestly I think he is capable of eiting what would normally do tor ten people. The first time I saw him in action I could not believe my eves I thought there must sure ity have been a trick somewhere I couldn't bring myself to believe that a man could eat so much I was absolutely in awe of him you might.

It was at a dinner just before Wimbledon There were a whole lot of us around and the main course really looked appetising. It was a 101 t les of lamb which was really crormous and it memory serves me right the whole thing cost some thing like £ 10.95. It was a buffet iff iir and all of us were lining up car and off pieces and struggling to tinish them because each piece was so filling. All of a sudden the chefwas distracted. He turned his back on us and before he could look in our direction again, Gene had will ed off with the whole leg He paid for it of course, but I was surprised no astounded to see him tinish it with the greatest of ease and then go on to the other courses is if the lamb had just been an appearer or something

I don't think Gene believes in main courses. I ach course to him is a main course, and he is quite cap able of polishing off the contents of a table before anyone else car get to it. everyone it vou understand what I mean. The fact that they re playing Borg at Wimbledon goes to unnerve some guys.

Took Ill give you in example A lot of people feel they can be it me except when they play me in Madras Because of this I obviously feel that I have the edge over them and even though I may not be playing that well cat Madras) the synthesis to the late of the late of the feeling more. This is precisely the feeling that helps Borg at Wimbledon the feeling that gives him that little bit extra

SPORISWORID In 1979 you came close to beating Borg at Wimbledon In fict you were poised on the brink of victory when he came back and won What do you feel about that match

VIJAY (He it iting You know it other mach was only going one way—my way. There was just no way Borg could have won but he did. Ive

thought I had hit winners on both occasions. The incredible thing is Borg got to the ball on both occasions and ultimately won the points. And I still say I hit the right shots at the right angles. It's just that, well Bjorn pulled out a little extra (shrugs).

SPORTSWORLD Do you make it a habit of watching films of your matches in order to overcome your shortcomings?

WIJAY I don't usually enjoy witching miself play Tirstly I don't like watching tennis that much secondly if Roy Emerson is there when I play he tells me after the mitch what I have done right and what I have done wrong That's it I don't need to witch any films after that Most of my matches are taped but I only witch them when I need some confidence. Sa I make in the play internal mister X. Now it I have a tape of a kime in which I thrushed him I might just ke through it you know that kind



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witched the match time and using on film and I just can't believe it. Ive witched at normal speed in slow motion I ve stopped the film it certain keep ount and just six and witched and I cannot explain how I lost. If I had to play the same is an I deplay it in exact the same is shot. I hat then and use the same trategy I used that day I didn't do a thing y rong believe it or not.

It just not possible that a give in do ever think right and still lose but that precisely what happened to me that day against Bjorn. There were a couple of crucial shots points on which the outcome of the match hinked. I hat what I thought were outright winners on each occasion not for one minute thinking that Borg would get the ball back. And never I a sure you did I forget that Borg is something special at the All England Club. Considering, all that, I still

of think (Smile)

SPORTSWORLD Do you think Borg will retain his title this year? VIJAY (Hesitates) I don't think so SPORTSWORLD Why?

VIJAY A number of recisions larst ly his form has been disappointing this vear Secondly he is low on contidence. Flirdly he has not won a single major tournament this vear. At Brussels, when he lost surprisingly enough to Rolf Gehring (this was in March) he didn't look like the ame person I have seen play over the years. He just didn't seem one hundred per cent interested keen or alert. There was something very important lacking in his game. Fourthly, he has had problems with his shoulder, although this is nothing major.

However even if Bjorn says he is all right you can never be sure. It frequently happens at a Press confer

ence that someone will ask Bjorn how he is teeling Bjorn says in perfect sincerity that he is fine, never felt litter But somewhere else, Bergelin is looking worried shaking his head and iving You know Bjorn had a temper sture of 102 last night. Between those two you can never tell what is really Loing on (Laughs)

But Bjorn's biggest plus factor is that he is the strongest person playing he game today both mentally and physically Look he's won it five times so it's only natural that the teeling among the other players is Well why can the win it a sixth time? More important everyone knows that he is number one. It is this respect that enables him to come through tough matches early in the Wimbledon fort night. He has had a number of clifthangers but has always managed to ome through unscithed

SPORISWORLD Whom do you think will win?

VIJAY (Smiles) Obviously 1 d like to think that I would but I ll be is ill tic. The Livourite this year is John McInroc Judging by current torm he hould vin Wimbledon He is cut and is is the best right now. He's in sell sof his own and even Borg and Connors come one rung lower down

SPORTSWORLD On what basis do you say that?

VIJAY Well this year he s been in tremendou form. To describe it accuritely he been iwesome there i no other v ord for it. He used to have a lotof drawbacks technical flaws but they ere lew and far between However

he has succeeded in smoothe ring out the rough edges

SPORTSWORLD Such as?

VIJAY He makes less errors on his volleys now. He used to make mistakes before but he ilway managed to get 134 with it because his serve was so devicting He has uch a peculiar ervine action that it can be confusing if you're playing ugainst him for the first time. Ne ile I razer had a strange erve as well but he never had an ill court a ime which McI nroc does

I d say that John has done a good thing by resting by staying away from the a ime for some time. He seager to Let on with it now and is lean and

hungry to put it iccur itely

The draw is going to be very imporint Obviou ly it will be the key to who is going to face whom in the final Borg will be seeded first but there is a chance that Connors will be seeded second and McEnroe third. If the seed ing committee goes by the computer it will put Connors above McEnroe but then again at doesn't usually go by the computer. Thus it Connors is seeded second. McI proc s task will be even tougher as he will then have to beat both Borg and Connors to win One thing is for sure. McEnroe has the best chance of holding the trophy aloft this

SPORTSWORLD What about Con nors>

VIJAY Well he has certainly had a remarkable year There's no doubt



whan knok. He and Yannick Noah have a good all in indigame

about that. He's been playing with a lot of confidence and that has done wonder for his game which is bril liant anyway. His keenne has to be seen to be believed. It's really incredible. He sire ally giving it the comeback routine Connorshi the Let me try it one more time and I think I can do it ittitude

He certainly has the game and the capability to win Wimbledon There can be no doubt about that Although Ive beaten him I cannot help but admire his attitude to the game, the manner in which he plays

Connors will never go on the deten sive He would probably prefer to ictive rather than play safe tennis



He (McEnroe) is in a class of his own and even Borg and Connors come one rung lower down

Even if he is in a tight corner the tightest of corners he will try and get out of it by gambling with a winner. It he pulls it off he doe at in style. If he doe not he still has the immen a satisfaction of knowing that he lost the point fighting

SPORTSWORID Does he play strategic tennis?

VIJAY To some extent. He is not a smart player but he is very, very iggiessive. He refuses to sacrifice aggression for anything. He does not play percentige tennis as Borg does He is really an incredible competitor Let me give you an example of what I mean Let's say he has his opponent stranded and has ten feet of the court exposed Rather than hit a safe shor to the extremity of the ten feet he pre fers to take a calculated risk and hit a spectacular passing shot just out of his opponent's reach That is the basic difterence between him and Borg

SPORTSWORLD Whom would you place after McEnroe, Borg and Con

nors,

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SPORTSWORLD Is Tanner the

lurking danger among them?
VIJAY Oh, he's much more than that Roscoe probably has the best chance among the three players in the second tier He could do very well He might even win if he has a little bit of luck while Lendl and Mayer could do well but not win I feel Tanner has an edge over the other two because of his ability to serve consistently well, which is a great asset no matter how you look at it

More important than his serving ibility. I think is the fact that he has the right attitude to Wimbledon he plays with the correct frame of mind . He thinks he can win and that is very important. He's been in the final be tore and believe me he gave Borg a run for his money. He's the sort of player who works towards the final in real earnest every year (Laughs) Ill probably cat my words if Lendl plays May r in the final won't I?
SPORTSWORLD How would you

rate Lendl?

VIJAY Look according to the ATP computer now the top five are Borg Connors McEnroe, Genc Mayer and Guillermo Vilas However Id be in clined to put Lendl in Vilas's place maybe even higher at number tour. To ture with he really is a talented player. In my opinion, he has no veak nes es. He plays a lot like Borg except that he has a one handed backhand Also perhaps he uses a little less topspin than Borg doe. He has in excellent service and his first lerve is really lethal. Physically he is very strong but I teel that it a person persists in drawing him up to the net and making him volley hell draw a lot of the sting out of Lendl's game. His volleying a iverage and the will give him problem at Wimbledon

SPORTSWORLD What is his greatest asset?

VIJAY That's not too difficult to pinpoint. He is so dimned confidentall the time. However, like all other lesser mortals on the pro-circuit he has in opponent whom he hates to play against -- in this case Jimmy Connors. He just doesn't like playing this guy. He never gets sets off Connors, in tact he lucky if he gets a couple of Rimes off him in a match. Last year at Cincinatti he was asking me how to beat Jimmy but Connors was too smart for him. He made chop sues out of Lendl giving him 60 61

I suppose it's just a mental block really because he has beaten every body clse on the circuit except Con nors I ve never beaten McEnroe but at least I do better against him than I endl does against Connors Every time he plays Connors he gets mas sacred And Connors loves it he just enjoys every minute of it Connors is by nature a very cocky person and so is Lendl But when Lendl plays Connors



Victor Pecci stretches to return a forehand during last year's French Open

he gets more and more deflated as the game goes on Connors takes a delight in whipping him and so it produces good tennis, even it poor Lendl doesn t think so

But Lendl at Wimbledon, No. he won't win it he's not miture enough set. Let me put it this was. He would be more dangerous in the French Open but he's got a long way to go He sivery young and he could concerv ably be a Wimbledon winner in the near tuture

SPORTSWORLD What about Gene Mayer the third player in your second tier'. How has he improved so rapidly?

VIJAY His biggest asset has been the fact that he switched over to using a Prince Big Head tacket. His entire hame is based on control. He behin using this racket about fourteen or fifteen months ago and has made great strides since then. His most devistat ing shot is his forehand which inciden tally is a double handed shot A a matter of fact some guys who have been around long enough say that Gene's forehand is almost as good as Seguera's which is really saying a lot

Gene is one guy who has manipu lated the computer very well. He has been playing with preciely this in mind and to this end he has chosen his tournaments very carefully playing the ones where he is sure of winning or at least coming into the last four. His success relates to the fact that he has played the right legs of the circuit at the right time. He has even chosen his surfaces with care. Besides he is a great plaver

You can choose your tournaments l

with circ playing the ones where you think you are going to timeh among the winner but if you do not have the basic abilit then you vind up by getting nowhere Gene has more than just by icabilit he has talent aplenty and the gut to go with it too.

SPORTSWORLD Which players would you rate below finner Lendi i and Miver

VIJAY Well there are certainly two young ter who have impressed me a great deal in recent months. I m tilking ibout Yonnick North and Johan Krick Both the e-player posess a good all round game and they give it all they have

No th won the Calcutt Grand Prix in 1978 and pro-ed even then that he had the makings of a champion. He is from the French Cimeroon and wis kind of discovered by Arthur Ashe I think I would put myself along with North and Krick

SPORTSWORLD What about people who are expable of creating up 56857

VIJAY Oh there are a lot of those ruys People like John Sidii Briin ^j Teacher Brian Gottfried Woitek Fibik Victor Pecci and Illiot Telt schor although Feltscher might not be able to play at his best on grass. All the Americans in fact pose i danger SPORISWORID Aren't you

forgetting Gerulaitis and Vilas?

VIJAY No not really I don't think Vil is can win. And is for Gerularis well he's hardly done invthing worth mentioning the year Yet trangely enough that is precisely the kind of feeling that you need It motivates you to success. That is the attitude you need to win The Big One

Rubbing shoulders with James Callaghan

DAVID McMAHON and ASHOK KAMATH

The intervent had been used for 4 pm on Mr. 19 but we were informed by a cryini that Vija. It sleeping and over a ked to nor Mr. Amatria in tead. It maches accorded as yarmload depleted that Vija had returned from a practice section that manner all had te time with the frequency will vermined with a ray ble? They as not subtleat all a cold her and a core is both that the specion hams to make to make to make the ray of the specion hams to make to make the specion hams to make the make to make the specion has been specion of the specion of th

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Vias gives to a backhand volley

to receive crive. The room recked of tenni. In fact, there was a pair of Nike track show discurded in one corner with a pair of tenni. ocks tuffed in ide than kackets had been piled on a chair in ide.

frames On in the in the new transfer on a centre table was a beautiful from a porter potant. A ray parel beautiful citizens in the shape of in

ancient Viking helmet with a plaque bearing the words 'To a stalwart Viking After the interview was over and we were leaving we isked Vijis when he had won it. It was a trophygiven to him after he won the Volvo tournament he explained. And then with a girn he flipped back the top of the helmet to how us the miniature glasses and the bottle of Scotch whisk inside.

While we writed for Vijiv his taber cine out and spoke to us showing us forcian magazines with atticles on Vijiv and displaying posters feativing his second son with obviou prale Viji would be our shortly he said and upologised for the delay Viii emerged shortly after clid in a pair of shorts and a I shirt. Hi ever were red with the fever but he miled a he shook hands with us It will but he poke trankland openly.

His is ht up when he natived to use the total transporter in the reporter on all tennic places. The WCL chief I im a Huntwis throwing rans is put in Dally to celebrate the treng of his organisation with

"I've received plenty of invitations so far, but the one that really floored me was from James Callaghan When I received it I couldn't help wondering if it was a hoax

Look me up at the White House

THERE was this tournament recalled Vijay as we sat out on the Ver indah of his house where I was waiting to go on court for a match. I had plenty of time of I decided to relax and have a snack before going on court. I went and got myself something to est, sat down at a table and really made myself comfortable. I put my legs up on the table and began to read taking a munch of my food every now and then

I will about hillway through when this guy came up to me and asked if he could join me. I didn't understand why he wanted to sit with me when there were so many tables going spare, but I didn't want to be rude, so I told him he was most welcome. He diew up a chair and sat down and it became clear that he was wanting to start a conversation.

He said he had recognised me and that was why he wanted to sit next to no. He claimed lie had seen me play several times and that he had always admired the way I play. I thanked him because it made me feel pretty good. Besides: I just didn't want to brush him off.

He kept isking me questions about myself and I would answer him the betwill could As the conversation progressed I began wondering if I had ever been introduced to him because there was something about him that seemed viguely familiar. You meet a lot of people on the circuit and so I thought maybe we hid met someplice

Field I couldn't let him go on asking all the questions so I started getting into the conversation asking him about himself. He was very friendly, answering my questions very candidly. Then I asked him which part of the States he ver from

'He said he was based in Washington so I asked him if he was in business Somehow I got the impression that perhaps he was a businessman by the manner in which he was dressed. He said no, he was not a businessman I asked him what kind of work he did and he said he was connected with the Government.

"He told me to contact him any time I was in Washington and that he would take me around the capital and maybe even show me where he worked by this time, my curiosity was getting the better of me so I asked him outright what work he did with the Government. He said he worked in the White House but I still couldn't place him.

'And then it suddenly fell into place The man I was talking to was none other han Hamilton Jordan, Carter's Presidential Adviser"

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And uddenly everyone was looking at me and clapping and smiling. It took me is few moments to reall e what was inly when my trained pushed me towards the stage that I realised Mr. Hunt had called on me.

I shall always regard this as one of my most cherished moments. Imagine being singled out from among the cream of profession il tennis and being isked to speak. And I was not the best player there that night. There were plenty of people who were better than me. And yet he asked me to speak. It

was the greatest honour possible my being chosen to represent the tennis rld Just that one single incident nade me realise that my years on the circuit have been worth it. It has Lean worth the toil and the sweat and the trustration. On this occasion I felt t though the world was being lit up pecially for me

Throughout the conversation that is lowed the interview familiar names Epit cropping up Names like Andrew Young Sydney Portier and I dward Finneds But what was patently clear is that Vijay was not just playing the 'I kime of name dropping. He was it speaking of good times he had build with people whom he count ing his friends even if he friend ones do sound a little exilted

And urpri ingly enough the name Faries Cillighan former frame You ter of Great Britain cropped up ! ell Ive received plents of [restation so for but the one tha all thoosed me was from Time attachan recalled Vigiv vith extin-When I received it I couldn't help ondering it it vir a hore but the hele thin locked too officed He ear Leadhdartarthe life time them why a Head of state had l definitions to me et all people to a important dianci-

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An I decided that it couldn't perible to horse so I hired a becting of Common so dth. France I lenou it a indivent done in real its le

The entire road around Picadilly was cordoned off to hold back the crowds. I handed over my embossed invitation to the chauffent and isked him to vincial fround prominently so that we yould not be turned back So there we were proceeding along the chauftcurwe mig the invitation like a madman and then we vere at the steps

Mr. Cilliahin wis there velcome the gue is personally and he had a tew mee word to as to me as I entered. He told me that he had seen me pla on televation and that he enjoyed watching me. It was only then that the full importance of the invitation but me. It had not come through the Lidi in Embassy in London a. I had suspected but had come direct from Cill when himself

I went in ide technic rather elfn crouse and world to the Indian Amba idor and other Imbassy officials and their mouths dropped open when they is me. The first thing they said after they had recovered from the shock was What Liter that ne *von* dome here coning the Australian Prime Minister Mr Malcolm Fraser also Australian Prime came up and pole to me and said a tex kind thinks leading me very Hattered South is quite in evening ou ce

And the conversation me indered on Vijiy harked back to the colour IV presentation of the WCT Merci event. As you wilk on court a kill precede you carrying your national that onto the court and you go on for your march knowing that you mu t do your utmost for your country. And people witching the programme on television have the screen split into three ections they are watching you in one ection your national flag in mother and the rest of the court in the third. It's really something and goes to prove that page intro-still has a place in the world of tennis

Diplomats of the pro circuit

CCORDING to Vijas. I have never seen people from such diverse Abackgrounds getting dong so well with one mother is tennis players do I suppose you could say we are kind of unique. We come from different lands we have been brought up differently we think differently we have varying ideas on life and all that it represents And yet de life all the inborn differences we get along with a remarkable amount of friendliness

While playing a big tournament it's not at all uncommon to come down for breakfast and find five people sitting down and having a good time even though they have nothing in common spart from the fact that they are tennis players. They might all come from different countries but the atmosphere is uch that you'd probably think they were all born in the same hometown

The only common bond of course is that they play tenns for a living Everything about the circuit has in international flavour, but there is seldom any rancoul or all feeling. On the other hand suppose an outsider tried joining a table with a group of tennis players. Whether they realise it or not, they will exclude the outsider from the conversation simply because he has nothing in common with their profession. It is a much stronger bond, this 'And yet at the same time I feel like setting as a from it. Long stays in a

strange place tend to get you down along with the endless routine of i breakfast in the hotel, playing matches in the afternoon or evening and then catching a flight to your next destination. You cannot imagine how lonely you can get. My interests are varied I like a lot of things outside tennis so sometimes it gets a bit too much to come down for a meal in the hotel and find that I am surrounded by tennis players

It often happens that I go into a coffee shop and find three other guss discussing their matches. Come on we get enough of the game on the court as it is After a game I preter to come back and then do something totally unrelated to tennis, no matter what it is even if it means sharing a conversation with someone—provided that is that the other person doesn't want to talk about tennis. I enjoy going to the movies. I guess you could say it is a kind of obsession with me really. On the other hand, I might go out for dinner with friends it I'm not watching television. I ve gone out several times with Gene Mayer and his wife Rhonda. They are a nice couple and she is an absolute doll Besides, she makes chocolate thip cookies just the way I like them

News : International

Newcombe and Roche together once more

BARRIE BRETLAND reports from Canberra

AUSTRALIA John Newcombe ind Fony Roche v hom even many non Australians would place at the top of tennis - ill time doubles rankings will team together it Wimbledon in June after in obsence of three vent

Newcombe 36 and the left handed Roche 35 rest their exe for doubles immorrality on having taken the Wimbledon title tive times, the first in ... 1965 the last 11 sours apo Despite their age and a minimum of erious tourn iment play in recent veir their hid for the world's No 1 doubles title this year is the from frivolous

This is not a nost ilgia trip for us We are not going there seeking head line Newcombe said Our reputation is fir too import int for us to go to Wimbledon and make tools of ourselves We to fit and keen and honestly believe we have a good chance of winning

Both players now very active in over 35 tourneys both overse is and at

home, claim they are injury free When not playing in tournaments Roche spends hours every day at Bar kers College, Sydney with his Opera-tion Tennis squad Newcombe has returned to the youthful routing of daily three mile runs wind sprints and stomach exercises in a bid to prove he is serious about the Wimbledon comback

Newcombe plived doubles it the list two Wimbledons partnering for mer Australian Davis Cup squad mem ber Owen Dividson But he idmits that neither of them was properly prepared to take on younger and fitter opponents at the world most fimous tenni tourn iment

This time it will be different Newcombe claims. Iony and I have been pairing quite a lot lately and enjoying it We'm is not play together. for months but as soon as we be in warming up for a match snap we are back in business. All the old moves the old confidence in each other the instinct we have for knowing what the other guy is going to do start working ų, un

We are not kidding about Wamble don It we can improve our fitne at a nothing goe wrong physically we he numely believe we can give the title a shake. While appearing together on court less frequently the editys. New combe and Roche work together in important joint projects off court They are best known in Australia for their joint project. Operation L nnis

Newcombe and Roche had long considered Austrilia Licked i coordinated and well concerned plan to unearth and develop very purpor talent in Australia. They saw this in major cause of Australia's decline a la tenni-



New omber relaxes after a

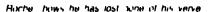
power. Nev combe went to work sell ing the idea to potential sponsors and a official tennis organisations with Roche providing most of the coachine cround plan

The result was Operation Fennis 5 A L to 0 0 0 0 c e il propremme funded by the Custom Credit Corpora tion Limited (\$A60,000), the Austra nin Covernment (\$450,000) and the Liwn Tennis As occation of Australia (\$ \20 000) Now in its second year, the provisimme has Roche giving five Autrillin hi Roche giving five Austra him boys need between 11 and 15 intensive coaching at a prominent Syd nes College where the boys continue her i idemic studie. Former international Ahles Cooper and Alan Stene provide similar four hour a da conchine in Bri bane and Melbourne indicalmic are stayed in regional centre throughout Australia periodi call in the quest for more young ! tilent

An aim of Operation Lennis is to develop the e young players to the stage where they can be handed over promational coach Ray Ruffles, operat ing from the recently established Au tralian Institute of Sport in Canberra

Newcombe whose range of activitics coms to increase as he gets older is on the board of the institute has a syndicated tennis column published throughout Australia and in New York and London is contracted to the CBS network in the United States and to a national chanel in Australia where he tounded and helps organise the annual National Indoor Cham pionship in Sydney

He and Roche also organise an inual three week tennis camp during the January school holidays which provides 40 coaches on 40 courts, plus their eight hour a day personal gui dance for total of 1200 young learners Roche who has not been fitter for many years recently flew to Europe to compete in three over 35 tournaments after remodelling the playing and thinking' technique of top Austra lian woman player Diane Fromholtz





Wimbledon Scrapbook

WOJTEK FIBAK: The artist as a tennis player

WOJTEK FIBAK is at age 24 a solid journeyman of professional nums a master of six tongues the peiks fluent Polish Russian Czech ciciman French and English; a illector of international modern art and would be consolidator of the puntings of Poland s finest ighteenth nineteenth and twentieth century artists. He also has this dream.

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tenni and they would also learn language and ut and history And I could also set up a gallery of my paintings and books—we are also collecting old books and things like that- so they could know more about Polish hi tory sivs libak a remulable trailblizer the only officially recognised playing professional in any sport in his native Pelind



one of the upper middle class men of pro tennis

No 15, give or take a few places, in the computerised world rankings of Association of Tennis the Professionals ever since mid 1976, he is reasonably well known worldwide He has been televised frequently, primarily because of his extraordinary success in doubles with a multiplicity of partners, but is hardly a household name outside of Poland In his homeland he is not only the most famous athlete in any sport but probably one of the best known citizens in any walk of life a national figure who is recognisable as the initiator of a one man tennis boom

He earned \$384 663 in prize money, singles and doubles in 1978. That made him one of the 10 male players who topped \$300,000 for the year in tournament winnings not counting exhibitions endorsements and other ancillary sources of income. He was one of the 34 men who collected in excess of \$100,000 from tournament tennis. Minus the games hindful of bon ifide superstars these are the tellows who comprie the upper middle class of the sport—not quite misters, but capable craftsmen who rise from the multitudes of tradesmen, apprentices and failures and whose day in and day out toil forms the foundation of the international circuit

In these days of tennis greed, however when staggering purses and an inflationary spiral of endorsement opportunities have created a thankless class of journeyman prima donnas who take their six figure incomes for granted and don't want to lift a finger to do anything but practise play and pick up their checks libak is a refreshing exception to a disturbing

There are others of course but he stands out for his cosmopolitanism, his diversity of interests his unspoiled attitude. He doesn't consider the modern game's largesse a birthright and sometimes even pinches himself is a reminder that it is true and not some wild fant isv

In order to understand this attitude one must ko back to Poznan circa 1973 and look in on Fibak as he wrestled with the question of whether to finish law school or quit to pursue a tennis career an ambition unheard of in Poland at the time

Two years earlier upon graduation from high school he had made a preliminary choice "The decision came for the first time when I was 19 whether to go to another city to study to be a movie director which I was already interested in, or stay in Poznan and study law "Fibak recalls

It I studied making movies, that would have taken me completely out of tennis because I would have to be in school nine months of the year filming editing practising doing ill these things There would be no time tor anything else. I decided to study law instead because I thought I could go for tennis at the same time '

CCORDINGIA he enrolled at ACCORDING THE CHIONES IN his hometown where he had permission to study slow as he put it while simultaneously cultivating the tennis game that had made him Poland's No. I junior and attorded him in eve opening trip to the Wimbledon Junior myn trional in 1970

But in 1973 at age 21 he concluded that he could no longer manage both Live chool and tennis. Until that time Polch players had competed only occusion illy outside I astern Europe usually just a tournament or two is a reward for good ınnu ill performances in Davis Cup and King Cup matches- and he had a difficult I time convincing provincial officials that he hould be allowed to play in professional event in the West He , realised instinctively that he would have to bank heads more regularly with ranking players if he were ever to make a mark internationally in the sport to which his fither had introduced him at Laborause at was a nice kind more elected than soccer and we could placer together

The crucial second decision to for the law for tennis involved money. It wis in every senic a

ed alored judgment

Libik remember I vas sitting down with my fifth it and looking it. the price mone board of the time the late 1973 or carls 1974-- and iv that the No. 100 man on the computer vi making \$10,000 or 51, 000 even. So we calculated and thou lit. For Pol ind, this is pretty rood money. If I could be in the top. 1004 r tr e ve ir ar could bring up my titu and I culd make maybe more more than being a law er or movie direct. I know a little bit about tenni hen II d beer to Wimbledon i and as what it is like out ide Se my Lither and movite we weren't married then burly or Jakehad been or cultificial for 10 cm, and we Incover culd be married decided I

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When I look back at sivery tunny I il ik a now but that week in | Burelouws the breakthrough It chanced in attraction and my life compacted. This put me on the comparer In the quarter, there were place like Vila Bork Orintes all these bug name so the people in the Polish Lederation saw I was making progress and could play with these people. No Pole had ever been listed this high but after half a year I was No 96 in the rankings

Sometimes you come across people who think they know something about tennis and they will ilways ask you. So how is it just playing tennis and going around the world. And they say. I would like my son to do it but there is so much travelling. Nincty nine per cent of the people they think it is not a matter of breaking through but only a matter of deciding! They think you decide you are going to be a tennis player so you do it You enter a tournament. They don't know about the hundreds or thousands behind because the Press never tells you about them. They don't t alise that there is qualifying and prequalitying to get into the qualitaing and it is unbelievably tough

Fibik had more obsticles than most because he had his uncollightened federation to contend

I was suspended in 1973.74 because I refused to participate in the preparations for the Kings Cup I wanted to play the matches, but not to practise with the team three or four weeks before he recall. I wanted to play tournaments but the federation thought tourn unents were holid es to rewird placers who did well in term matches

Beiting A he in Bir clonic give me ome power with the federation The Press was writing about me and some Polish people inside Pol ind. ind. outside Pol ind were supporting metaking my ade against the tederation for me their vay we all wrong I winted to be a professional but this had never been done before. There were a few hard moment, definitely and for a while it looked like it was just not possible. But the apport of the medic ind the people and the fact that I was on television and making ome good publicity for Pol inddtogether this made the federation and the minister of port chance then minds

They made a special think which other people don't have and I'm officially a professional and there is no 1 problem in inv way Since 1974 we have had perfect relation very good preement tinincially and in other was Lein do invihing I wint I play only the Davis Cup and Im not participating in the King Cup or national champion hip or in the imateur championship like the other players from Listern Lurope. He contributes a flat \$10,000 a year to the Polish federation, which it uses to buy equipment for juniors

FROM the beginning Fibik improvisation and self-instruction. He could witch a great player in person or on film and emulate his strokes When he went to Wimbledon is a junior he saw a topspin backhand for the first time. This was not taught in Poland at the time—slice backhand and rather a detensive backcourt st in were the rules to which were it, exceptions—so he taught himself

I saw Newcombe playing this shot and Nastase playing that, and Rosewall playing something else so [went home and began picking the things up inimediately limit ited time great players and this was n imagination and inspiration for goin up ind up ind up all the time. This i why I broke through I thak says still a little surprised at the wonder of i

But it was also the patchwork scheducation that he assumes defined ha limitations. Although he has been istonishingly consistent he has neve made the breakthrough to the top echelon of the game—the penthon i suite occupied by Bjorn Born Jimm Connors and John McL nroe that man predicted for him in 1976

I don't want to sound like In making in excuse but you have t realize that I really stated to pla tully only when I was 20 or 21—before that I was in school. Also, the climate in Poland was not that good for tenniand we did not have my indoor

court. Tabak explains

Probably it you would compare me with Solomon or Dibbs or Stockton cr Gottfried people like that I am surthe number of ball, we have hit in the Let four year as may be the same But in their whole live they maybe have hit three times more hot than me

Still I im als a sea field I don't bing my head actinst a wall because I don't win a particular match. I don't Say I vall never play again. Thave a let of other thing, my vite and twidinghter (Agne age 5 and Paulin) dmot a live got mapurents buch nome. There whom can Poland and a spartment in New York where in babic can come when I am playing half the year in the State. We have our hobbic and thing like that I me i happy man

Toremo t among the hubbles i hi art collection. Mostl. now Lya and I are interested in collecting paintings. ind the emits of direction self-libik. We collect very modern art mostly drawing and lithograph from nany like Picasso Miro Teger Matisse and Alexander Calder Thata one direction international modern

But more import int for us now are pluntings from the top Polish plunter of the fist three centuries. These are scattered all over the world but our in bition is to put is many of them a we can in Polish hands. We have vergood contacts with Polish families and collectors wherever we go in the world -Pais or New wherever

And perhaps ome day they will be displayed at the school he dreams of founding and managing This a plausible since tennis is booming in Poland because of Libak and he had proved beyond doubt his ability to make unlikely things happen



Mohun Bagan have psychological edge

P K BANERJEE

So the first big league encounter is billed to be played at the Eden Gardens on June 20 between arch rivids Mohun Bagan and Mohamme dan Sporting I am not in a position to predict the outcome of the match as this could be quite risky but what can be done is a comparison of present form

First of all I must say that Mohun Bagan played excellently in the Fed eration Cup at Madras They were vastly superior to Mohammedan Sporting in the final and indeed should have scored more goals than they did Ulagan athan especially played exceptionally

However coming back to the league Time and igain I have said that there is a great difference be tween a knockout tourn iment of nine ty minutes duration and a seventy minute league match. The difference of twenty minutes is something we should give a thought to In addition the p vehology of the Madras crowd is altogether different to the psychology of the Calcutta crowds. Behaviour and psychology both play in important part. To the football lovers of Calcuttathe league a everything so one can imagine what kind of pre-ure is generated while two leading team confront one mother



Sama Bhattacharya clears the ball i the Federal. Cup final before Md. Akbar can get to it



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A SCHOOL STORY

Till the time of writing, Mohamme dan Sporting have not performed well in the local league. In fact, they have not been able to find their rhythm They are playing disjointed football, especially wingers Manash Bhat tacharva and Bidesh Bose In the abs ence of Shabbir Ali Mohammad Akbar is finding himself out of place As it is he has not performed up to expectations in the League It seems that without Shabbir the Mohamme day S.C. front line has lost its sting, but the good news is that Shabbir will be playing in the crucial tie. His induction will certainly strengthen the attacking line. On the other hand, however so will Vavier Pius streng then the Mohun Bagin side and it should be remembered that at preent. Pius is in much better shape than he was during the Federation Cup

Mohammedan 5 C will obviously have a greater advantage over Mohun Bigin in the vitil midfield irea be cause of the absence of Gautam Sar kar who i nursing in injury and also because of the inclusion of Prasanta Banerice To put it simply the mid field without Gautam will be vulner able against counter attacks. This will also take a heavy toll on veteran Hillih who played a very good match against the black and white jerseys at Midris despite his lacklustre per formance in the San Nagice tourna ment at Trivandrum It he can regain his Icderation Cup form Mohun Bas in will be able to compensate somewhat for the absence of Gautam Sujis Beri the other medio was found winting in his new jersey

Bakan's attack at the moment especially on both flanks, looks better than that of rivil wingers Minash and Bidesh though I must admit that Ula gan ithan is not in the devistating torm he displayed it Madras The Mohun Bag in deep defence is definite ly better than Mohammed in Sport ing's since Compton Dutta and Shyam il Bancijce ite in good form while the Linky Subrata Bhattacharya-with any partner-will be a very difficult prop osition against the Mohammed in S. C. forward line Conversion of in early chance by either side could determine the outcome of the game but I must say that this match is going to be an enthralling one

A word about the Mohammed in S rear line Moidul Islam and Ramen Bhattachuva who placed so well in the Stattord Cup at Bangalore and again in Madras scem to have lost the magic touch. I feel that defender Moke Mukherjee a tilented youngs ter from Fistern Railwix will make his presence telt on the big occusion But he will have to exert himself against the speeds winger But one thing is certain if Mohammedan Sporting are resolute it is going to be a tough battle all the way Still I will say that at present Mohun Bigan have a psychological idvantage over their opponents because of their 2.0 victory over them in the I eder ition Cup final

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Fight all the way

Mohun Bagan coach SANKAR BANERJEE tells SARAJIT DEB that in order to perform well in the big match, the key word for his players should be—fight

The strong point of my team is the detence. My whole team revolves around the defenders. If they play well we are at least sure of edriw if not ewin Burit they I iii well. I shud fer to think shat will happen. Like in the Federation Cup final Lespect my two toppers Subject a and Samer Bhatrachary a to held iwis the centre. I know they are also expuble streaming the triker on the ground My two wine backs. Compton Dutra and Shy im il baner pechad para ed the two speed winger, bide h Bo e and Manich Bhattachary, very well in the Federation final and I expect them to do it acim

There ever il problem in midfield. A lot will depend on Gautam. Sirkii There i que tion ibout hi firme. It he buck in the ide it will care of a lot of trouble. A inthe Midri final Ill tell him to concentrate on detence, so that the other linkmin Md. Hibib em ko up and help the forward. In the Federation final the Mohammed in Sporting linkmen. Per un and Persinta Panerjee had control in the midfield in the initial time, but the entant ham, b. Hibbup at their rhythm. The whole term had tailed because of the linkmen They tell back shich in turn brought resource in their deterce. Habib will have to play that tele nean As for the other linkmen at Cautam is not fit from the muscle pully Supr Perr his placed is match but is et to knit him elt into the team I'll try Dipak Baner. ier in the next tex matches on cidentally he was injured) and let's echish hipe up

My forward line is not as good as Mohammed in Sporting's The main problem is that I do not have a utsume Three tiskers Xivier Piu Biswijit Bhittichii i ind Arup Dr. ire in the Asian Canie. truming cimp. If one of them i back at least Ill rive a player to ub titure it my of the fory udtal The two striker. Militi I and Shyun Thapa will have to con stantly harass the two topper Mordul Islam and Romen bhar tach us a Their sing back are fit ter thin my winger or Surqu Sengapti and Ulisanathi mili try and bear them through kill rither thin peed



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So fur I im not it ill pleased with the performance of my play Added to that the Mohamme it in Sportira players will be like younded tigers because they lost the list encounter. They will try to is ease that defeat and a Thad told n their before the lederation tical Ill tell them again that they nust fight all the way if they want to vin Not a single ball, hould go unch dlenged. It upsets the thathm of the opponent and it is very important in key matches

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Bidesh Bose and Manash Bhattacharya- they hold



Manash Bhattacharya takes a shot at goal in the Madr hyama he stile to contain Manash again?





They will perform well

Mohammedan Sporting's new coach ABDUS SATTAR, who took up the challenging assignment two days prior to the knockout tournament at Patna, tells SUBHASH SARCAR that the attack will hinge on the wingers

POOTBALL is essentially a team game and every player shoul ders an equal responsibility. In the league thus far we have per formed below par as a team. In fact the side has not lived up to its reputation as it did in the three knockout tourn iments—the Sanj is Gandhi Gold Cup it Patna the Stattord Cup at Bangalore and the lederation Cup at Midras The reison for the bad spell is the absence of stalwarts Shabbir Ali in the front line and Prisant'i Baner ice in the it il mid field But I im well brankly speaking I feel that they will definitely give a good account of themselves. But it is 13ther difficult to predict the end result especially since tension will run high in this game

My main strength in the attack ing line will be from wingers Man ash Bhattach usa and Bidesh Bose It both these men pinned down by Mohun Bagan backs Shyamal Baneries and Compton Dutta I will have to change the strategy during the rame itself. I depend solely on the rund os Prasun and if all goes well the indispensable Pravanta to fee to trikers. As I was saying if my wongers are blocked they should vir it or approach so that are they able to coordinate properly with the trikers

It is sad indeed that Akbar has no been able to exhibit his usual form. If he functions well the forward line will move better The three knockout tournaments have probably taken a heavy toll on his stamina. He needs a rest but we cannot ifford to rest him since there is no one clsc of his calibre. If only Shabbit was there to help him!

I read in the newspapers that the Indian team is not going to Scoul for the President's Cup However one now gathers that the Asiad camp at Barrackpore will come to a close few days before the crucial match thereby illowing the local stars to play in the league So Shabbir will be there to strengthen

the trontline

In modern tootball at the link men are able to control the mid field they too can control the pace of the game I am banking totally in this respect on Prasanta and Prasun Both of them will have to be careful with the opposing medios. If acc medio Gautam Sarkar is not fielded for the crucial match my team will definitely have an advan tige in the vital midfield area. But it is always desirable that a good player should play and I hope he is ible to do so

I have tull contidence in goal keeper Bhaskar Ganguly But the result of the match depends on the deep defence. If they can put up a good performance then we can expect a result But I am confident that my boys will rise to the occasion against Mohun Bagan



Prasanta Banerjee-indispensable

trying my very best to fill the gap left by Shabbir with Tapan Das from whom I expected better per formances Anyway he is impro-

We will be confronting Mohun Bagan once again this season (the last time was in the Federation Cup Final which the black and white shirts lost by two goals) You see whenever the giants meet it is a war of nerves and the ensuing match is no exception And I don't see why my team should not play

Medios hold the key

SANTO MITRA, East Bengal coach

THE first big match of this year's off on June 20 when Mohun Bagan meet Mohammedan Sporting at the t den Gardens. This will be the first exhibition match of the season and therefore assumes a special import ance apart from the issue of the championship last year these two teams did not meet in the League firstly because they had been placed in two different groups and secondly because the League was abandoned atter the August 16 incident

However bearing in mind the fact that both te im-played lighting football during the 1950 Leder ition Cup at Cil utra local fin await the match exert. There are other important factor too though three Mohun but in staly it! have switched over to Mehann dan Sporting their perform ince we not up to the mark during then I remounter it Midras where Mol un bas in won the match comfort. ibl. Lethap the mein we will wit ness an even keener to sle this year. There will certainly be some amount of pachological preduce on the player since none of the Big Three has dropped a point so far

Let me try and analyse the out-, come bearing in mind the strengths and we iknesses of both sides. Starting with the goalkeeper Mohammed in Sporting certainly have the edge with Bhaskar Ganguly under the bar One cannot deny the fact that Mohun Big in custodian Shib iji Binerjee has lithe litter has been playing robust I defenders are often caught on the

performed consistently. Despite the act that both these custodians have already conceded a few goals this season one cannot deny that the man who is the better goalkeeper, does not have his fair share of luck, which the other has in plenty. It is this important ingredient along with skill and anticipation that is so necessary for a man who is the last line of defence. To put it to howally. Bhaskar often takes risks between the posts while Shibaji

When it comes to the wing backs and central detenders. Mohun Bagan tre stronger it one is to go by recent performances. Right wing back Compton Dutta is currently in better form th in Chinmoy Chatterice. This is not because he is inferior in technique or kime sense it is just the age factor Age counts a lot when football is played in such hot and humid weather This apart Chinmos's tendency of moving up with an attack may lead to some d'injer against a fast winger like Uliginathan who is dangerous in counter attack. Compton's advantage is that with some hard tackling he will be able to stop Bidesh Bose on the left flank. Bidesh it should be men from d i far below his form of the last ter venis

In the other wingback position Shyamal Banerjee is undoubtedly bet ter and note experienced than Aloke Mukherjee One could not help but notice over the last few matches that h

football Ironically, I have noticed that his playing style bears a great deal of resemblance to that of Shyamal Baner jee However, if he can overcome the psychological pressures of the big match, he will certainly create prob lems before the Mohun Bagan for wards

So far as the two central defender or stoppers are concerned. Subrati-Bhattacharice and Samar Bhattachar jee are playing a more consistent game than their counterparts Moidul Islam and Ramen Bhattacharjee The Mohun Bayan stoppers are better equipped when it comes to anticipation and speed while their performances in the Federation Cup were inspiring Maybe two Moh immedan Sporting stopper know their shortcomings and bearing this in mind they play stationary ir their positions. Subrata must resist hi tendency to attack since the Moham med in S.C. forwards are quite experenced and a single gap in the scoting zone could prove tatal. This gap will definitely be created if Subrata goe on the attack without concentrating in defence particularly when it comes to counter ittacks. Although both teams have conceded goals against weaker opponent. I personally feel that wa because of two reasons. Firstly, taking the opponents too lightly and secondly because of injuries in the midfield position where tackling is extremely necessary in modern tootball

Almost ill the junior teams are now playing the 4.3.3 system thereby in creasing the strength of the midfield In counter attack therefore these young players are more agale and are able to create openings by sheer numerical superiority. As a result, the

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However, since both sides in this in itch will be following the same sys i m these problems will be nullified Mohammedan Sporting are certainly more impressive on paper when it omes to the vital midfield area. Praun Banerjee who has plenty of big nitch experience behind him has been one of the most consistent wing halves in Calcutta this year. His intelliert through passes have created openings for his forwards time and wain If Prasanta Banerice is fit for the game he should also be able to anspire his forwards, judging from the form he displayed before his injury these two players are perhaps the most intelligent wing hilves in the ountry tod by but they lack the ability to tackle in the midfield area. Besides inco both ire basically left footed players they may face ome problems

In this respect. Gautam (if he is fit) and Habib have the edge. Both of them are born fighters who will not yield in inch and who can inspire the whole to im should the occasion arise. In modern football as everyone is well aware at is precisely this quality that me ins much more than anything else Cautam is also a good shooter who his cored several times with his long times shots. Habib who has the distinction of scoring the maximum number of goals in important games as explible of posing a danger at any time but one mult not forget that he is not



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getting involunger It therefore remains to be seen who will establish superiority in the midfield

Both teams have good wingers therefore there will be plenty of scoring opportunities. In today's defence oriented game one cannot stretch the defence without playing through the wing. On the right side while one has

not the kill the other has the speed one has got the game on a mid the other is in opportunist v ho am score even from a half chance

But Suripit performance is still better than that of Manach, although it has been proved many times that while Sur int latter from p vehologic il pressure in big marches. Manash has been more or les untroubled. On the left. I has moth in has been playing an enterpresing kime since the Ledera tion Cup and he i maintaining his standard Bidesh on the other hand is not pla inclup to his reputation and surprising I has lot his speed and hooting ability the apart this chas the ibility to be it Chinnox be virtue. of sheer speed but it will be difficult for Bidesh to go jut Compton on speed done. With regard to the strikers the absence of both Pius and Shabbir will be felt fronk! While the former is a chemer and sharp shooter the latter is a real fighter who creates many openings for his teammates by his mobility and heading for Mohun Bigin Mihir Bo cal tireless worker who has scored many pectacular goals in big matches would be a problem for any defence. If he play too deep it may help he team in the midfield but in counter attack he must be with his ether forward to have more depth. So 1 ir v Sh im Thap i is concerned he is in old hero of many a battle. His experience and meinny goal scoring ability could change the tide of a match it invitime but he is also facing the age problem. In the Mohammed in Sporting camp. Akb it no doubt is one of the best long range shooters in our country. His ability to take shots with both teet will also pose a problem for the Mohun Bagan detence. However he has not developed as good an understanding with Tap in Das as he enjoyed with Shibbir Of course I ip in is an intelligent player who has good control but he must not lose his temper unnecessarily



Hurrien Shattachary's (on ground) tries to clear the ball from Navier Pull at it e Madra, final



I am fed up with politics in football

SARAJIT DEB profiles Joseph Machado, the footballer from Goa who now wears East Bengal colours

DO not think I m pulling a fast one I am really not interested in playing for my country any more I am fed up with the politics that prevails in high places. I ve seen enough of it and what I really look forward to these days is making a permanent place for myself in the East Bengal side and getting into the Bengal team for the next Nationals.

Those were the words of Joseph Machado. This year is a whole new experience for him. Right from his schooldays he has been a regular member of every team he has played for In the Last Bengal side there are two other good linkm in— Amalraj and Farced—apart from him but there is place for just two. There is bound to be ficice competition, but I m ready and am practising hard to secure a permanent place in the side.

Practice starts early at about 7 a m and goes on for the next two or two and a half hours. There is jogging followed by warming up sprints exercises and finally match practice. He has no problems with the gruelling routine because he went through the grind when he was in Goal from where he made his mark in Indian soccer.

Two of the Calcutt I teams Last Bengal and Mohun Bagan, were in terested in getting his services for this season and both clubs had approached him to join 'I opted for East Bengal because I had given them my word last year In fact I was supposed to join them last season but due to some transfer problems I could not make it I did not go to the Coimbatore Nation als because of the inter-State transfer but Dempo Sports Club did not want me to leave They could not find a replacement for me and consequently they were creating a lot of problems. They were even thinking in terms of suspending me, 'he recollected. To go back to his early playing days, one has to travel to the Don.

To go back to his early playing days, one has to travel to the Don Bosco High School ground in Bombay. It was there as a boarder, that Joseph was encouraged by priests in the school to take to the game. He gradual ly picked up the fundamentals and represented his school for three years running, from 1969 to 1971 He joined Dempo College in Panjim, Goa and Goa Police was his first club side. He stayed with them for only two months,

before joining Dempo Sports Club in 1972 when he made his mark as a footballer of repute

The same year he was in the Goa State team and since then has been a regular member of the side except in 1974 (due to injury) and of course 1979 (transfer problems). My best performance at that level was at the Srinagar Nationals in 1978 during the quarter final league match against Bengal We were down by two goals till about 12 minutes before the final whistle. We levelled the score and with a bit of luck we could even have won that match. The Srinagar Nation als was very good for me. What about the Cuttack Nationals where under his leadership Goa lost to Punjab in the semi-finals on the tie breaker?

We had a chance of winning the championship but because of our inability to convert penalties we lost out, joseph said sadly



Machado I want to be in the team

He has been in and out of the Indian coaching camp on a number of occasions. He was first called as a junior in 1973 but could not make it to the junior Merdeka because of an injury. The next year however he was in the junior side that shared the Asian Cup with Iran. In 1975 he toured Indonesia under the captaincy of Inder Singh and after that it has always been a case of so near and yet so far for him. I think I was given a raw deal, especially in the pre Olympic (1980) camp. They played the 4.3.3 system and I think I should have been an automatic choice. But I was not selected due to internal politics.

Talking about the 4.3.3 system that is followed in Goa. Joseph said. It is one touch football and the detenders

and mid field players have to move around a lot Generally speaking most Goan teams combine very well be cause they control the midfield What Goans lack is finishing power. In the recent past, we have had only one striker of note—Francis D'Souza After he left Goa there was none to fill the void.

How is football in Goa different from football in Bengal? The players here hold on to the ball because they are very good individually. The forwards are much more accurate and utilise the chances that come their way Individual brilliance exists, but the combination is missing

T is but natur il that he should find it Ldifficult to adjust to the new set up in Calcutta But as he keep saying 'I will have to get used to it. The 424 formation is in vogue here and the stress is on through passes. In the 4-3-3 formation we were used to passing square and combining more Some times I do forget what style of football is played here but I m slowly trying to get used to it. The climate is too hot and when it rains the ground becomes very slippery. Though I have yet to play in any match after the rains I can tell the difference. Otherwise I have no problems here. The greatest thing here is the crowd—they really love the game. It's a great feeling playing in front of such a crowd. Basically a slow player, he might find it difficult to adjust in Calcutta

Among the coaches he has trained under Joseph rates Bob Bootland the English coach who took charge of the Dempo side in 1978 as the best. He impressed me a lot because he has a sound knowledge of the game. In the Indian camps, I we been mainly under G. Basha who is theoretically sound. Iwo other Dempo coaches of the period helped me become what I am today. Cyril Terras and Joseph Ratnam, especially the latter.

The imbitious I conomics graduate wants to become a Chartered Accountant and to this end he is enrolled for the B Com with Bombay University. I spend my free time studing but I also find time to go out with my friends Premnath Philip and C. D. Francis. We stay together and have become very friendly.

Joseph is basically a temperamental player. How else can one explain the fact that he was adjudged the best player at this years Stafford Cuptournament while just a few weeks later he was a complete flop in the Federation Cup. That was because of internal problems in the club. There were disputes with officials and for that reason I did not put everything into my game.

Born on March 16 1955 in Panjim (Daman) Joseph is the third amongst seven brothers and two sisters. He has close family ties and for that reason there were objections when he chose to come to Calcutta. Though I have a clerical job with a medicine firm, Bengal Immunity. I do not intend staying long in Calcutta. Another two years and I ll go back.

CALCUTTA LEAGUE

First hat-trick for C. D. Francis

Some measure of parity was restored this week as East Bengal, the only big team with a clean slate, conceded their first goal of the League The first hat-trick of the season was also recorded in the same match SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB report on the progress of the Big Three

MOHUN BAGAN Touching somewhat near the form which helped them win the Federation (up in Madras Mohun Bagan exhibited their best in the first half of the match against Customs Before they scored their first goal in the 15th minute they had missed three gilted chances Shyam Thapa and Mihir Bose being the oftenders They combined well and the man really responsible for the "transformation" was Ulaganathan, who used his speed to great advantage

Shyam made amends for his previous mistakes by scoring the first goal with a grounder after getting a pass from Mihir. He played a part in the

second goal is Shyam interchinged with Ulaga who sped down the left flank and was brought down inside the box by stopper Subrata Bhowmik. Subrata Bhattacharya converted the spot kick. Though Ulaga scored the third goal almost the entire credit for it should go to Compton Dutta who ran down the middle got past a couple of defenders and took a shot at goal. The custodian Ashok Dhar could not get a grip on the ball and Ulaga running in shot home.

After the change of ends it will a completely different story. It looked as if this experienced side hild forgotten the basics of football. The players

tended to relax and that was the main reason why we let in that goal—said coach Sankar Banerjee. In that dying minutes of the game—Sitangshu Karmakar after latching on to a pass from Amrita Ghosh—dodged past the lone defender—Samar Bhattacharya and placed the ball pat the ourushing goal keeper Shivaa Banerjee

Three players from Mohun Bagan impressed. Use conly in the first halt) Compton and Subrata Compton is having his bet days now and is definitely the mot improved player in the side. Mihit was nowhere near his true form perhap the muscle injury is preventing him from going all out. Except for essaying a couple of centres. Surapit Sengupt edid hadly anything of note. Shy im tried his best despite the age barrier. In the halt line. Habib had yet another off day while Saty apt. Mit a started well but gradually seemed to fade out as the match progressed.

From the Customs and the two stoppers Subrata Bhowmik and Subrata Bhottachary e played well. But it was their mi under tonding that cost us the first goal. Said coach Nripen Chikrayarty. Even after we let in three goals we did not give up and were successful in reducing the margin.

THREF veter ans of the team. Shyam Thapa Md Habib and Surajit Sengupt a paved the way for Mohun Bagin's victors against Howeith Union in their second outing of the week. But this was not before the young Howiah Union forward especially right striker Ashok Kumar had caused panic in the Mohun Bagan defence which was without Samar Bhattacharva. The Howiah boys played a more constructive game and missed three easy chances before their citadel fell.

Mohun Bagan got their first goal minutes before the breather Surajit floated a freekick from just outside the penalty area into the goalmouth Subrata Bhattacharya headed goalward but custodian Hyder Ali Mondal just managed to fist it away The ball came to Shyam, who made no mistake The second goal was by



Surget Sengupta the Mohun Bagan winger trying to weave past a Customs defended



Francis scoring the sixth goal for East Bengal against Behala Youth, thereby notching up the first hat trick of the

Habib, who pushed in a centre from Surajit For the third, the roles were reversed Habib gave a through pass and Surajit scored at the second attempt, in the dving minutes of the match

Dipak Banerjee played his first match for Mohun Bagan and was generally efficient. There were hardly any wrong passes from him but he has to increase his speed and improve his tackling ability. Habib was good as an ittacking half and helped the torwards a lot Surajit played well and was specially effective when no one from the opposition was near him Had some of his tine centres been utilised, the margin of victory would have increased. He missed a sitter. So did Shyam Subrata and Mihir Bose On each occasion they had only the goal keeper in front of them

Ex Olympian Nikhil Nandy Howrah Union coach said he Mohun Bagan side is very experienced but not all conditioned They are not striking the form they are capable of Im satisfied with my performance even though we lost by three goals. My forwards created openings but because of their inexperience they fumbled in front of the goal My detence played well and tought with determination My policy was attack is the best defence but my players could not cope with the counter attacks when the goals were scored Mohun Bigan coach Sankar Banerjee was far from happy with his We could not team's showing generate the pace and speed required for long Whenever we did that we scored the goals. But that pace should continue throughout the match in order to get better performance

EAST BENGAI One wouldn't have been surprised it East Bengal had been down by at least two goals within the first 25 minutes of the match against George Telegraph In tact it was George Telegraph who were en joying territorial supremacy till then Sujit Chakravarty, the left striker mis sed the easiest chance of the day

when, after beating both stoppers. Monoranjan Bhattacharya and Sudhir Karmakar he shot wide with a gaping goal in front of him

Immediately after this incident Bratin Sarkar paved the way for Sujit again who fumbled in front of the goal and Monoranjan had all the time to tall back and clear the ball. The third chance followed soon after when Bra tin shot wide from close. At this june ure Joseph Machado replaced an off torm Amalraj and soon saw his centre being collected by Majid and shooting home. Six minutes later. Jamsh d scored the second goal after a combined move by CD Francis and Fareed

Just after the interval Majid scored the third goal for his side and it was undoubtedly the best. A long pass by Jamshid from the mid field went to Majid who promptly volleyed it in from the top left corner of the box Jamshid completed the tally by nodding home a Somenath Banerjee centre But coach Santo Mitra was not happy with his team's performance

The first half saw the worst performance by my team in the League The wing backs. Anudeb Das and Premnath Philip were tumbling and be cause Amalraj w is a bit shy to go in for tackles there was a gap in the mid field For that reason I brought in Machado The second half was better but definitely not up to the mark

The George Telegraph coach Sunil Nandy hit the bull seve when he said 'The most important thing in tootball is scoring goals. They converted three in and a half chances to four goals and we failed It was because my players were inexperienced. The supervision was also poor I think we were dep rived of a genuine penalty when Bratin was pulled by Monoranjan inside the box, when we missed the third chance and unnecessarily my players were pulled up for oftside

TO C D Francis, the former Premier Tyres and Kerala striker, went the credit of scoring the first hat trick of the seison in East Bengal's second outing of the week, against Behala Youth A three year old story was to a certain extent enacted again In the 1975 II A Shield quarter final match this Behala Youth side were leading 20 against East Bengal till the 68th minute but ultimately lost 26 This time they were leading 10 till minutes before half time but went down 16

Aloke Ghosh the Behala striker lobbed intelligently over the onrushing goalkeeper Dilip Paul and the ball dipped into the net to give his side the lead. It was the first time Last Bengal had conceded a goal in the League After that East Bengal mounted pressure on their opponents and not the equaliser through Premnath Philip who shot home through a blur of legs. After the change of ends they netted five more through Majid and Francis (four including the hat trick)

After we let in that silly goal, the whole team cracked 'said coach Santo Mitra When I saw the half line was failing I withdrew Fareed and brought in Amalraj instead It was a very difficult decision because none of them was playing well. After we got that equaliser they caved in and we scored heavily. I think my team was ind took things very relaxed lightly that is why we let in that goal

Monoranjan Bhattacharya usual plaved well However, tellow stopper Sudhir Karmakir is but a shadow of his true self. The other detenders, Philip and Anudes Das looked unimpressive as well Majid had a comparative off day missing two sitters. Francis proved that he is a good opportunist and if he is tried as a striker the is now playing on the right wing) could produce a better result

The Behala Youth coach Amitava Ghosh said My players panicked and allowed our opponents to equalise After that we were nowhere We could not prevent their wing backs from over lapping and because of this they had a numerical advantage over us "

WHO is responsible for the players who are injured during the course of a match? We know that the St. John's Ambulance takes care of them but arc they really doing a good. job? From the way things are going the answer is an emphatic NO The first in cident occurred during the Mohun Bagan Fastern Railway match in the dying minutes of which en counter a stift shot from Md Habib went straight to opposing custodian Shvamadas Chatterice He tried to collect the ball close to his chest but wa hit iwkwardly inditell on the ground short of breath and with a pun in the chest. There was no one around to render first aid apart from the coach and officials of the Rulwis te im There was no stretcher is alable and the reserve players had to c urs him off

Another incident took place on the Ary an a round during the Rajasth in Mirzapur match, Midway through the first half Krishn igop il Choudhury of Rajasthan jumped to he id but in the process nit the post. He was badly injured and began bleed ing protusely. There was first aid a allable but the player needed more thou ough attention Ultimate ly he had to be removed to hospital If the is the state of affairs in an enclosed ground one shudders to think of what can happen if a player is injured while playing on ore of the numerous open grounds! Buck up St. John st

Al IIR the Covernment ensured strict man ning of gates by police personnel this has caused problems for ome explayers Iwo uch incidents viere reported last week and perhaps this is the reason explayers are no longer trying to enter the Fround without evalid cird Sudone. I ve vet to get my All I card and be cause of that I m not going to see the matches I do not want to be insulted Only ifter I get i valid end will I ko It is for that re ison that these explayers are trying desper itely to get complimentary cards from the

Maidan musings

respective clubs they once played for but everyone is not being catered to and that leaves them with no other option but to skip the matches they want to see place the day Mohun Bagan played Howish Union. A policeman who had been on duty from the afternoon suddenly keeled over in front of the special gate below the Mohun.



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CALCULIA is going through a very hor spell. The weather is so bad that sometimes it seems unbear able. The performance of the play ers is also affected by the sultry humid conditions A telling incident took Bagan gillers ind water had to be sprinkled on his face to bring him back to consciousness. One hopes that this spell is over soon so that players and spectators alike get the long awaited break from this torture.

PRACTICL sessions for the three Big Clubs carry on but not without minor problems. In the Mohun Bagan camp, everything seems smooth on the surface but that is not the case. A strong rivalry exists among the defenders for a beigh in the team. Competition is stiff and it brings out the best in the players. However when this turns to me in ne s it becomes harmful



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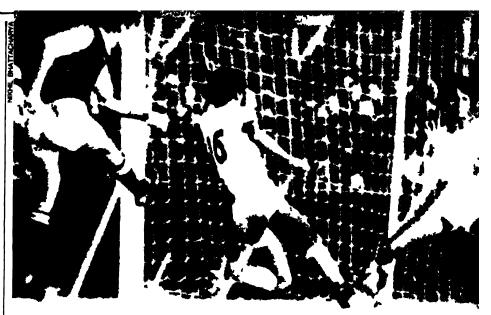
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MOHAMMEDAN SPORTING The Story was the same as that of the last (wo league ties Struggling and barely terting home The word 'star judded', attributed to this team by the tootball fraternity seems at this moment to be a misnomer Judging by Mohammedan Sporting's performance in the Federation Cup it looked as though they were unable to get over the Madras hangover'—the final As unst the fighting fit lederation cup quarter finalists, Railway F C, they won through an opportunistic and by Tapan Das in the first minute atter lemon time I am still wondering to how that angular shot from Akbar got to the second post when I had my defenders there said Railway I (coach Shankar Sarkir But what se saw was that the ball swung in cluding custodian Kiron Roy's hands and an onrushing Papan Das booted home the all important goal. Actually lick of anticipition cost them dearly

Sankar continued 'I tried the 4 3 3 it itegy with Balai Chakraborty being made to play the pivot's role. I wanted him to do the job as a sweeper. The tormation did not click. Balai Chakra botty was cipher in the sweeper position but was very active as a third ropper. Only when we conceded the coal my boys played their original time. I had to replace Kishore Mukherjee formerly of Mohammedan S. C. because he was rendered helpless when rival lett back Aloke Mukherjee went up trequently said Sarkar idding Kishore would have been useful in the last 20 minutes when we had the edge over the black and white shirts It was really good to see my boys go all out. However it was urprising to see that the home team's timina flagged and especially to wards the end they were playing any thing but tootball. I should have told my boys to be on the attack right from the start. The way the grants looked disbanded under the pressure only indicates that any big team under such type of pressure will play haphazardly But we were unfortunate that we could not avail of the chances that came our way. Of course, the best chance of the day was missed by Balai Chakraborty who could have taken a half volley at the goal but dilly dallied Ranjit Chat terjee and Shankar Ghosh played well," said Sarkar concluding Per formancewise, I am not satisfied I expected my boys to play better Man ish Bhattacharya did create some problems I think I should have played the 424 formation

Savs Abdus Sattar, the home team mediocre although we had a few chances We are still feeling the pinch in the vital mid field with the absence of ace medio Prasanta Banerjee The responsibility on Prasun seems to be too much 'Regarding the best wingers in the country, the coach said "They are just not clicking As for full back Aloke Mukherjee, he could not reach the form which he had displayed in the earlier encounter But I must say, Chinmoy played well today"



Manash Bhattacharya cleft) of Mchammedan Sporting missing a sitter in the matin against Pititust [

I XPFRII NCI enabled Mohammedan Sporting to snatch a victory over nev er say die Calcutta Port Irust-their first defeat in nine outings. The real hero was Bhaskar Ganguly under the bar who managed to foil Krishanu Dev spile drivers in the early stages of the match. In fact, the youngster who was the exposure of all eyes on that day had both Bhaskar and the detenders at his mercy. Had Port's right winger Kalyan Chanda been a little tister than wing back Aloke Mukher ice he would have booted home a good chance when Bhaskar Ganguly failed to hold on to a powerful shot from Krishanu Had this been converted the outcome of the match would have been entirely different Krishanus agility ball control and dribbling must have been the envy of some of the more experienced players. His performance as an attacker only exposed the weak central detence Krishanu and Kalvan did extremely well in the and coach Achaut Banerice attack These two gave the big team 1ddin. a few invious moments' Even Mohammedan SC coach confessed Even The Port forward line was a source of

worry. That youngster Krishanu Dey is a very promising boy' The Portmen indeed played well but at the same time it was really encouraging to see the home team back to form after their depressing pertormance in earlier en counters. I am quite satisfied with the 3 nil victory but I won't say that their performance was very good. They can definitely do much better but at least they are showing signs of improve ment said Abdus Sattar

The home team certainly regained some measure of confidence when medio Prasanta Banerjee was plaving and as usual he made all the differ ence This however only drove home the point that the team's performance revolves around the ace linkman According to coach Sattar, 'As I told you, Prasanta's inclusion creates an impact It was nice to see my boys playing better streetive lackly tree, matches but there is till cope for further improvement. The opposing forwards exposed the weakness of our defence our stoppers mult improve They have not been playing their orginal game

In the ultimate analy is Port fru ta did not have the necessary finish and it was precisely this that brought ab. out their downfill. The home addcould have taken the lead in the 25th minute when triker Tiper Dapowerful shot rebounded off cu todi in Tanumov Bose Akbu reacted with a p header which in turn rebounded off the crosspiece and the Port detender cleared in the nick of time. Mohamme dan SC finally took the upperhand tive minutes before lemon time when Manash Bhattachary i be it a detender and the goalkcoper to tap the ball home off a Tap in pass. I told my left back Swap in Saha Roy to pin Mana h down and not to allow him to mo e in from the right. Manash got onle one chance to move in from the right and " succeeded Anyway my back are quite experienced In fact I am one stopper short and therefore had to put linkman Bimal Haldar in that posttion said the Port coach

A minute before the interval Prasanta sent a left footer into the net off a Akbar pass and Tapan consolidated the lead seven minutes after resumption. But it was the Port te im which launched a massive onslinght on the rival goal after the breather and the did everything but score. They tried their best. But in the first half if there had not been a strong wind blowing against us there would probably have been no score. I have a young side but they will do better with more experience I am satisfied with the overall performance although a few decisions of the referee went again t us. This surely dampens the spirit of the junior boys especially when they are playing against a big team, concluded Mr Banerjee

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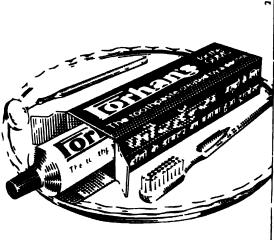
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Good news for traditionalists

RIVAMPING of the Ranji Trophy idopting the points system of the English County championship in a fid to end those dreary draws in illimestic cricket is very much on the irds. This was the recommendation of the technical committee of the Board Control for Cricket in India at its cent meeting at Sinagar. The Indian iptain Sunil Gay iskar was a special after to the meeting the first time in the current support of the national team attended such a meeting.

Among the other things that the schnical committee discussed was it it every cricketing centre must posis far novers. As for the one day innited over game, the Benson, ind Hedges Cup rules will apply in order curb negative and unsporting play.

laking a strong tand on the report is a captain on the supervision of the unpires the committee has decided that it a captain I alls to do the needful he will not be re-elected captain the following year.

The Stinagar meet provided welcome cheer for the traditionalists among the older generation by nostal really restoring big time cricket to the Brabourne Stadium

The Ranji Trophy knockour will begin on Leb 11 and the final will commence on March 24

The Wills Trophy will be held at Indore Jaipur and Nappur with the final to be played at Kanpur

The Irani Trophy match between bombay and the Rest of India will be played at Indore from Oct 16 to 19

Deodhar Trophy At Chandigarh from Sept 15/20. Fist vs. Central on Sept 15. Winners play North on Sept 19. West bye vs. South bye on Sept 19. Final on Sept 20.

Duleep Trophy South vs North on Nov 3.5 at Trivandri m winner plays 1 ist at Cuttack on Oct 23.26. West vs Central at Ahmedibad on Oct 23.26. 1 inal at Bombay from Nov 5.8. C. k. Nayudu Trophy (Under 22)

C k Nayudu Trophy (Under 22) Inter State from October 12 to 24 Venues North Zone (Jammu) Last (Cuttack) West (Pune) South (Hyderabad) Central (Kanpur)

Inter zonals at Delhi Draw Central Seast on Oct 30 and Nov 1 Winners Swest on Nov 3.5 North vs. South on Nov 3.5 Final from Nov 8.10

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Hyderabad), Central (Kanpur)
Inter zonals at Bombay Draw West

Inter zonals at Bombay Draw West vs Central on Jan 15 17 Winners play North on Jan 19 21 South vs East on Jan 19 21 Final Jan 24 26

Vijay Merchant Trophy (Under 15) Inter State from November 20 to December 1 North Zone (Bhiwani), Last (Gauhati) West (Ahmedabad), South (Bangalore), Central (Nagpur)

Interional at Calcutta Draw North vs. South on Dec 10.12. Winter plays 1 ast on Dec 14.16. Centrally West on Dec 14.16. Limit on Dec 15.21.

England tour Nov 11 Includes Board Presidents XI at Brabourne Stadium Bombay

Nov 13 to 15 vs. Under 22 at Pune Nov 17 to 19 vs. Board President Mat Nagpur

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HARESH MUNWANI Bombay

All gone to waste?

INTERNATIONAL experience is imperative if India is to make a mark in the Asian Games next ve ir especially in football. Two camps have been held at Salt Lake and at Barrackpore with the sole aim of forging an Indian combinition for the President's Cup at Scoul But the All India Football Federation came in for a shock when the Scoulorganisers retused them entry. The Koreans had their reasons. India's repeated refusal to the standing invitation each vear compelled Seoul to take the decision. The team was supposed to have been selected from the 39 Asiad probables in the second Birrackpore camp When the news came that India found no room in the tourna it ment it was decided that the camp could be discontinued in mid func-Thus it seems the camp has served no purpose at all

However the Federation still has plans to help he boys attain international experience by playing a few matches abroad if those countries invite them that is Anyway it is to be noted that Seouls refusal only caused innovance among the probables and coaches 'After all the rigours the players and coaches had to go through it ended in exasperation It has served no purpose These boys will lose whatever they gained at the camps," commented a well wisher

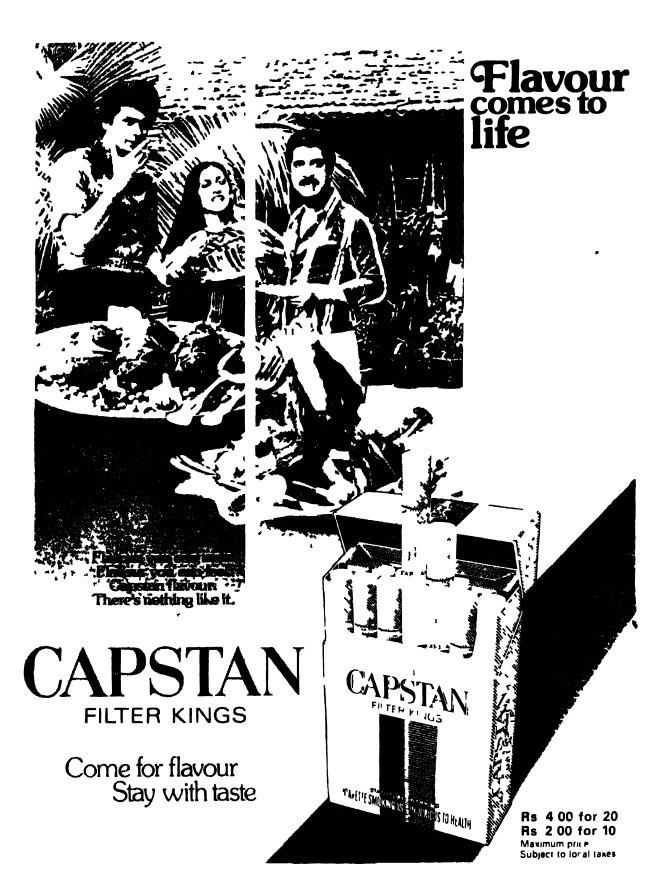
The moot question is why was the camp held at all? In addition it was held at a time when some Calcutta stars were deprived of playing for their respective clubs in the local league. Now that the camp is off these players are permitted to play for the clubs again. Take tor

evample the cree of Mohun Barans ace forward Namer Pin Moham med in Sporting Shabbir Ali and Last henral's Shekaran to name a few. The respective club officials requested the authoritie to allow their player to participate but met with no repone Now that the camp a called off the are being allowed. The whole thing as many feel has farcical tendencies.

A few dass before the cloure of the camp in exhibition match was held in in adjoining are a The probables were divided into two teams—AIFI Secretary XI/Blues) as Vice chairmans XI what and the former side von. However there was diappointment for the large crowd as Shabbar Harjander and Biswajar Bhattacharyawere unable to take pair a they were indisposed.

The march it elt was lacklustre with the exception of Narendra Curum who we very consistent and Xener Pin, who showed how indi pensible he is Tight minutes after the fact AILLS Alim Khan handled the ball when attempting to toil a back volle from Pius Referee Hilecom pointed to the dreaded pot and Parmar took the spor kick succe fully fleven minutes Iver Kartick Soth equalised off Nirendra Curung and a few minute before lemon time Vijay Kumar Live AII F side the lead the spidework being done by Pius They consolidated their position a couple of minutes after resumption through Hema Rao but teammate Pulik Biswas handled the ball in side the box to allow Parminder to

A CORRESPONDENT



CIGARETTE SMOKING IS INJURIOUS TO HEALTH

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SR NATIONAL WRESTLING

Delhi, Services bag equal golds

WRISHING is one of the oldest with most popular sport in India machiel to mythology. We have now to yie there than those countries have medials at international level uraniments and let we have not won indicated medial at the Olympics show have to show is a bronze in the landon. Olympial through Bombay hearing fidhay Ioday Delhi forms to core of modern and Indian tyle to think tory which one has to thank that in the hard mats.

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conglot from the cipital did emicle proud by vinning the to tyle to im championship for the tath or in accession their I min mee will ilmost total and they on nine out of the total ten sold medal. The absence of international Factor Singh robbed Delhi of the tenth old high went to the fall and hetty be an Suresh Kumar of Haryana in the 100 kg citebory Delhi won the tice tyle team fittle with 54 points followed by Service with 32 points However Service continued their dominance in the Craeco Roman style Is winning the team title for 14 years in accession If Delhi could display heir freestyle prowess so could the Services ar applers who ruled the roast in the Grieco Roman winning nine out of ten golds.

Young and talented Vinod Kumar who is a celebrity in his own right having won two gold medals at the World Mini Championship held at Malmo Sweden last year scored a points verdict against Services Ramay in Singh in a fast and exciting bout in the 44 kg class Fourteen year old Vinod has a great future and is



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getting the best attention of Guru-Hanuman In the treestyle it was heartening to see Olympian Sathir despite running high temperature for the last three days tighting his 62 kg bout with Upgarlal of Harvina and winning the gold for the seventh CONSCIUTIVE L II The international body (HII A) rules had reduced the bout duration from nine minutes to six minutes, with just one interval. This was done in order to make the bouts fister and more exciting a the duration demands faster action and quacker reflexes Under the revised rule of viestler redeclared, the winner as soon as he build up a 12 point lead. But at Ajmer. Patel Stadium the wrestler who took time to idjust to the nev amendment did not exert themselve much and were seen maintaining the ame old pace. While only three bouts vere decided by fall in the Graco-Roman at was further disappointing to note that four of the ten bouts in the 1 freestyle were decided by wilkover

Raja than Rajender Prasad without any valid reason gave a wilkover to international Luminder in the 68-kg bout while the local crowds ere expecting a tough battle between the two The free tyle events say Ishwarlal Mahayeer Rajendra Singh Sathia Jagminder Lughth Ramchander Luprakash and Satpal vanning golds for Delha For the Strytes the Crucco Roman medal came through Caucia in Shiya and Mahai Hawa Singh Satudeo Khazat Singh Mangal Singh Jagbut Singh and Ramchander

Nak Ramchander is a veter in a cathe 4 kg category and rathe horter to make an He won the gold even time in this class but he had to be contered with the bronze at Ajmer He hope of continue for another couple of year Satpal has been our most skillful and invincible material for a decide in the heav weight category variation the gold with consummate case. His provess we unmatched in the final in which he applied a meet hold over a Services. Rajendra and with body press pinned him in just 2 min 30 sec.

In Delhi apart from Guro Hanuman Akhara the Border Security Force Delhi and DI Steemtes are doing well too But the lack of keenness for the Gracco Roman style among the Delhi wrestlers seem all the more surprising

It was a surprise revolution that Vinod Kum ir of Delhi vhayon the gold in the 48 kg (true) Roman class as be will after tyles a uppler Since he could not find a place in his freestyle weight class he was forced to participate in the other it le and he did wonder to lum top spot According to Curu Hanuman l he Delhi wie tlers are not keen on the Gracco Roman style a ar demands a eparte training M box train for Graceo Remain only before the National The profess to train in free tyle is the helps them to fight thout difficult in the Indian style wie thing Moreover, the new rules which permit only as minutes of boats a may not encourage may restlers to tight the at least race Romana which permit the matmin to hold only tho e the vart. Della performance in the Crieco Roman tyle becomes clear when one see that they accumulated 23 point as again t Service 70 Length WFI doc not ittich much i mjört mee to the Cricco. Roman t le i it hardl hope to do well It has chosen only three grapplers for the tyle from the list of for the coaching programme

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PRAKASH BHANDARI Almer

JR- BASKETBALL

Karnataka, **Punjab** dominate

 \mathbf{T}^{HAF} basketball has ver to curve a niche in Goal sport, was evident from the shabby manner in which the recent week long 32nd Junior National Championships were conducted at Markao's Rejendra Pra ad Stadium with make hift wooden palleries almost proved a non-turier work on the courts commencing a bare two days before the scheduled far. The poke in the organi itional wheel apparentl was the inconcervable inction of government delay in finance Source reveal that the necessity grant was not disbursed much earlier because of an alleged difference of opinion between the organisms eceetars of the Coa-Bisketbill A secration and a bisketbill coach attehed to the Directorate of Specific and Cultural Altair

It was only after the intervention of as doner Minister that the aid came through me that preparator arrangements began on a war footing Because of the failure to complete the a phalt out on time one qualitying learnemethe had to be held on clay cones. Montion must be made here of Micke Formar Kaulade Laurman of the technical committee. Bisketball Lederation 1 India who shen controlled with the direction in uri il immediatel teck ommand to ! see the champion hip through

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through Rajan who receiving a pass from play maker Ganesh, sank in a neat lay up, to wrest the advantage and take a stanglehold of the game at

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Not to be outdone, Puniab fought hard in the second session but despite Dalwinder Singh making no mistake at scoring (he scored 19 pts) and Rayinder's valiant efforts they could not pierce the well guarded Karnataka citade l

The tag end of the match provided some respite for the Punjab lads when Rajan after a dubious referees decision was ordered off the court hiving totalled five personal fouls The Karn itak is imp appeared ruftled ind doubtful at referee Subramanian's judgment which jeopardized play But overhauling Karnataka's lead at this stage proved a tutile task for Punjab who bowed out at 61 46

Kirnitiki had a fairly easy penultimite round match igainst Kerila who crumpled under the tremendous pressure of superior skill ind scoring power of their rivals in the semi final Karnataka's Prakash was e isily the architect of this victory -his personal tally being 27 points—while Rajan (17) and skipper Ganesh (14)

also caught the eve

In sharp contrast Punjab withstood miximum pre ure from Midhya Pridesh before overwhelming them In ure it 31 36 it half time Punjab Rijendra brought off a couple of good basket cither from within or outside the foul iter to gridually overtake MP 37.36 MP retiliated to equal e and surge thead 39.43. Punjab cried a halt it this point and drawing even at 13.43 the settled the pro-entions of MP in no uncert un manner

Among those that made the knock out tige after topping their respective pools in the league phase were Limil Nidu Maharashtra We t Bengal Kerala Delhi Madhya 1 Pridesh and Utra Pridesh

Lictiscial Stunners up Maharishtra. tolded up 90.70 under the inspired might of MP to squander away their title bid in a sensitional quarter final encounter. The till Madhya Pradesh player blocked and checked effectively to give little opportunity to the Maharashtra centre and forwards With their clear cut passing and tisking power they simply put Mihirishtri to rout K Singh and N Ahmed with 30 points each shone for

tion much to the dismay of the tumultuous partisin crowd made their exit from the championship lo mg to Littir Pridesh 5965 after being level at the break 3131 With the match wide open it was the removal of star players skipper Codwon Fernandes and Andrew Birua having committed five personal touls each that made defeat imminent ix minutes before the final whistle UP made good capital of this respite overcoming the home challenge with V Singh and S Kumar top scoring

In the girls final, the excellence of holders Punjab was never in doubt Fielding three internationals the Punjab lasses practically overran Maharashtra scoring a well merited 61 46 victory after leading 30 10 at the interval Punjab's fortunes revolved around the international trio of Kanwaljit Singh captain G Laddi and Nita who urged on by the holiday crowds enacted a marvellous display of accurate passes, dribbles catches and shots But it was Kanwaliit who stole the show She set a sizzling pace, collecting be jutifully from centre. She pivoted from either flank to sink in lay ups with uncanny iim. Her own tally was 22 points

Like a will of the wisp she changed could the positions so often that Maharashtra detence precious little to prevent her from scoring Maharashtra hampered by an off colour 1 ind a D Souza applied the man to min stritegy in the second session to put up a semblance of a tight before Loing down ultimately Pranjali Ke kar (18) and Anith Lakshmi top-cored for the lesers

Mahirishtri hewever plaved a thrilling match to out last veirs runner up. Kerala in the semitinals 68-58 With in inspired Linda ! accurately dropping in ome long range one hand set shots a well as shooting home a few baskets from ! inside the restricted area she topcored with 24 pt. Miharashtra made up the half time deficit 29.35 and took if 42.41 lead and then never looked back

Keraladevoid of the envices of two ers Sidthi and Bright mitrally grabbed a 15.9 lead But Maharashtra fought back to level 17.17. The teamagain fied it 25 dl after shich Maharashtra took abrief lead to form into the final. For Kerala Leclania Thomas was the highest corea with 24. points.

In the other emitted Punjib toxed with Cox who just could not contain the P
speatheaded by Punjah advance ov Kanwaljit in ın devast iting form--she scored 28. The outcome of the game was never indoubt Host Goa made the semis for the first time. Te te iting Bih ir 43.21 in the quarter. For the local garls it was Ameet i Mascarenhas Indira Kane and skipper Clarice who played stellar

Punjih outclissed Kirnitiki 66 38 Kerala brushed past MP 59 11 and Maharashtra trounced West Bengal 74.45 in the other quarter final encounter. Feams that made the knock out phase were Punjab Maharashtra West Bengal Bihar Kerala Kirnataki Madhyi Pradesh

and Goa

The third and fourth placings went to Kerala and Goa in the girls section while in the boys section the bronze was awarded to Madhya Pradesh who scored a described 53.52 victory over Kerala

LESLIE ST ANNE. MARGAO

Indian Open Grand Prix cancelled again (yawn)

FOR the second year in succession the Indian Open Tennis Grand Prix his been called off. Announcing this decision in New York the Men's International Professional Tennis Council gave no reason for the circulation except a terse statement that It was at the request of the all India I awn Tennis Association to whom the event was awarded for the week beginning November 23

It thear the event was scheduled in Delhi but was scrapped because the organisers and. We don't have any poisors. One wonders what the reason is this vear. With India playing her Davis Cup matches out of the country the AII FA's recent action means in India over 1950 and 1951. Did I hear anyone mention something about a tennis boom in the world?

The Crand Prix calendar for the ear ha 92 tournaments scheduled offering a total prize money of 8 14 000 000 in iddition to the 2 000 000 bonu pool It is in the context of this that one finds it difficult to syillow the AILLA excuse of Not being in a position to hold the event. Money is not a problem. There are enough sponsors in India villing to pick up the tab of 8 5 000 which is what the Indian Open toffering A top executive of one of the leading companie in the country and M organisation is agreeable to put up that kind of money but can the All I A guarantee that there will be at least a few decent players in the tournament? I ven if there are two plivers from among the top twenty we will be itisfied

Such doubts about the entry list at the Indian Open are not biscless. The event has a very poor track record. The quality of the entry list has been abysmally low. The AII FA has tried every track in the book to induce foreign players to participate in the lindian Open without success. In 1975 when the faist Indian Open was held the prize money offered was \$ 25,000 Seven years later the booty was raised to \$75,000. Free to and fro air telest complimentary stays in five star hotels, nothing seems to work.

Maybe the AILTA should do some soul searching and examine its own functioning. As long as profession its are not running the show it would be impractical to expect for igners to play here. What the AILTA nieds to do is to appoint people who recognise



Yannick Noah on his way to winning the 1979 (5 and P ix. Will there ever be another (5) to chan ent in India.

the rights of the players a well as officials who have the capacity to organise a major event like this and set are quite willing to remain in the background.

If this unhealthy trend tolloyed by the All IA where they first reque t dates to hold the Indian Open and then pull out of the Volvo Crand Prix circuit continue there could be SELIOUS ropercussion international body may just give that week to other countries in Arrasecking the e date inco the credibility of the All IA it the moment is far from healthy. A six is the players are thy of coming to India because of the adverse report, the have heard about the running of the ctent

Another thing that is difficult to fathom is why ach unple a int ridine are not revealed in India by the All TA. Why does one hear the kind of rumbling in New York first rather than in Calcutta. Should the AILLA not inform the tenni enthusist of the country a to the fate of the event Ironically enough the All IA in the List 45 hours prior to the time of writing found the time and the inclination to make two Press releases one regarding the office bearer for the year and the other concerning ranking yet there was not the slightest mention of the pullout of the Indian Open from the Asian circuit of the Volvo Grand Prix

The current two day emergency meeting of the MIPTC in New York was held to consider the aftermith of the split with the WCT authorities who have decided to conduct their own

separate circuit. The MIPIC is announced that tructurally the 1982 period. Prix circuit will remain the same is it was the year. Seven of the leacht citie where the WCI event were held in 1981 have informed the MIPIC that they will continue to be a part of the Volvo Crand Prix circuit next ear while the MIPIC vall hold mother meeting once the WCI authoritie finalise then circuit.

Player withdrawal was mother matter that came up for discussion at the MIPTC meeting. A placer can pull out his entire from size and a minimum, of 42 day prior to the commencement of the tea nament but of late too many withdrawal at the late minute have harmed certain events and a few of them had to be cancelled.

Concerned about the the MIPIC har decided that henceforthal a player pull out after the expus of the deadline he will have to pay a \$750 fine for the first offence in 12 months. If the player pear the offence in the same wear the penalts will be \$1500 for ceded players these times will be doubled.

It is player has ome kenumere ison for the pullout he can varie to the MIPIC within ten days of the onclusion of the eart and if the authorities are attitled with his explanation the times will be repaid to the placer. I'll now the method was that the penalty was levied only if the explanation was not accepted. But the excent ruling will make it obligators for a player to pas the time for a not desires.

HARESH MUNWANI Bombay

Sportspeople

A great sportsman

THE recent successful defence of the junior national basketball crown by the Karnataka lads at Goa should have put every sports fan in the State in a happy mood. But alas the tragic demise of Siddapura Veerappa Rajagopal one of Karnatakas most brilliant exponents of the game at Baltimore United States on May 19 cast a pall of gloom. Rajagopal was one of the most colourful players kar natifa has ever produced. He was the main pivot during Karnataka s reign in Indian basketbill But the States downfall begin with his exit from the scene when he decided to shift to the United States for higher studies in engineering. After completing his course of studies. Rajagopal chose to stay on and signed a contract with the Lederal Covernment in Washington DC for whom he worked as an in gineer in the Railways and Bridges Department. His contract would have ended this November. He had rused Homs to return to his motherland and teach basketball to youngsters but fate decreed otherwise and ironically This son brought he ishes home in

Rijigopil love for the game be-Lin when he was still in high school Veter in players like S. V. Appai ih and his uncle S. K. Apparah realised that the had potential and urged him to take to be ketball. Rajagopal did just that and rinew tu wa born in 1952. Iwo year later at the use of 19 he donned State colonic for the first time. From ther fill 1967 he was a regular member of the Stat contingent When Rapagopal was in the team there were only two ruling forces in the country one was Kurnitaka the champions and Service the challenger. The Kurnatak cofficial however vere not kind ohim fime and igain they tried to drop him from the team but each time he came out with a spectacular performance and the selectors had no other choice but to include him However during the 1963 Bangalore (Nationals Rigigopal was not in the first five and his omission saw Karna taka in a hopeless position against Maharashtra Rather reluctantly he wa a ked to play in the second session and the genius was soon in full swing. sinking 13 biskets with mechanical precision. This saw K irriataka recover to rout Maharashtra

His most brilliant displays were seen at the Pitiala and Cuttack Nationals At Patiala where Karnata ky lost their grip on the Todd Memo rial Irophy losing to Services Ra propil was supreme in tree shots Then it Cuttack Karnataka were pit ted against Railways who had re-counted a lot of talent Everybody predicted that Railways would upset

element and Abbas Moontasir, then at his peak, committed five touls while trying to cover the former This hap pened before lemon time and Karnata ka cruised to a wonderful victory making the final

Rajagopal began initially as a centre but he changed his style under the able coaching of American veteran Frank Cafman He developed a style of his own and he would use either of his hands to shoot from the D. While doing so Rajagopal would jump back wards thus foiling any detenders chances. That style is yet to be seen in the country today



Яниопра

Rajagopal played at a time when Narasimh irajan Ringarajan Abbas Moontasir Muniswams Rajanna Ramakrishna U Venkatosh Sini Cluck of Andhra Pradesh Sarabject Singh Kushirim Surjan Singh Gur dial Singh Surendra Kumir (ill of Services) dominated the scene. To his credit. Rajagopal sank bisket. effor. tlessly despite their presence

Rajagopal was called on to represent the country three times. The first was in 1962 at Pakistan for the quad-

rangular meet

Three years later he played against Australia He was selected along with his brother V. Jayura basketball blood flows in their family-to play for the country at the Jakarta Asian Games but the Government did not give the hoopsters the green signal

Very hard-working

He had set his sights on becoming a top ithlete one day despite the Kain it ik: But Rajagopal was in his | fact that doctors had discovered in him |

a congenital heart disease. It was in 1969 that Vladimii Marchuk first came into contact with weightlifting and thereafter practised seriously in the Soviet capital's I ili Sports Club

What are his achievements on the international scene? This blond lifter weighing 148 kg stormed onto the scene only last year when he was crowned the USSR champion although he had been seen participating in major competitions for quite some time In the junior championships he earned six medals and established a junior national heavyweight jerk mark of 194 kg in 1973 Came 1977 Mar. thuk tried to better Visily Alexeves's phenomenal record of 256 kg but to no avail 'My 220 only shows the big difference in our class—confessed Marchik Answay that did not deter him The year 1978, s w him score 400 kg in the two lift total which he bet tered by an encouraging 10 kg the tollowing veir Says Marchuk. On the eve of the Moscow Olympics I became the USSR champ for the first time with a total lift of 4275 kg but this a fe it did not take me into the team for the Moscow Cames However I had to reconcile myself to the role of a spec THOI

The Moleuvite late t performance we in the Friendship Cup in Ivov recently where he istonished the lift ing fraternity when he jerked a bar ' weighing 257.5 thus eclipsing compatriot Visil, Alexeyev, world record by 15 kg. But he will remember for quite ome time the splitch mish ip. After setting the new jerk mark he tried to go one step further by improving Alexevey snitch mark While doing o he arprismely tailed to clear the the qualitying weight of even 182.5 kg ind got a zero. After this his coach Mikhail Akop, int... commented Muchuk fulure in the snatch was indeed in extremely rule case. The 26 ve a old teacher promised never to repeat the mistake but he strongly teels entrer creating the new jerk records that in another decade or so super heavyweight lifters wall be able to jerk what now seems to be a totally , incredible weight

More recently. Marchuk litted 265 kg in the jerk during practice sessions. In the snatch he maaged to do 190 kg In the press, which was abolished after the Munich Olympics Marchuk did 245 kg- which is a world record. It all 1 three exercises could be taken together Muchuk will hive had a three lift total of 700 kg. Even twice superheavyweight Olympic champion Leonid Zhabotinski did not hesitate to call him an athlete who is capable even now of creating the highest re-

cords possible

Of course concludes Marchuk the secret of my success lies in determination. I still remember being called unimpressive but I never stopped trying to prove that the most essential thing was proper training. I think that hard work at training sessions means more for me than athletic talent And finally, his primary goal is a successful performance at the next Olympics

News round-up

Well predicted

LONDON They said it would win and win it did by the biggest margin this century Yes on a sunny afternoon at Fosom Downs Aga Khan's Shergar ridden by 19 year old Walter Swinburn up with the leaders right from the start then majestically strode away from the rest of the field to finish 10 lengths ahead of Glint Of Gold According to experts one of the reat horses in turt history the animal scooped up £140 000 for the owner and has become almost instantly worth about £10 000 000 in stud fees

The horse had been backed from 25 to I before it won the Sandown Trials in April, down to a starting price of 10 to 11 for the Derby which made it the horte travor are for 14 years and in-*ict the book mikers who hid taken £30,000,000 on the race topped taking bet on Shergar 90 minutes

before the race

In pocketting the event at sandown it into 10 length, the colt looked omething out of the ordinary Indeed the benefix a confirmed a fewweek Liters near territored home if the training illy impressive style In short in both the outing this season prior to the Derby, the hor e looked trul magnificent A connoisseur would as it had power it had poise and the exceptional gift of acceleration. It had pedi rec too. his sire great neighby having produced the classic winners Grundy Mrs Peny and Nikoli Shergar's dam is: by the French Derby winner and classic sire, Bal De Loir, who thrust forward the Oaks winner La I agune and its grand dam is by another French Derby winner, Charlottesville, sire of the Derby winner Charlottown

Quite correctly therefore but at the same time modestly Swinburn remarked after the race I was only a passenger Incidentally son of the former Irish champion jockey Wally and apprenticed till last year the rider was featuring in his first Derby and with the success became the youngest man since I ester Piggott clinched the issue on Never Say Die in 1954 to we ar the Derby mantle

For trainer Michael Stoute it was a maiden Derby win as also for the Aga-Khan although the latter s grandt ither had the distinction of owning five Derby winners. So to use a cliche a one horse race in the 1991 Derby leaving bookmakers long faced and complaining of a disaster But the Chancellor of the Exchequer made a minor killing by collecting £2 000 000 in betting tax

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Pleasure trip

CHANDIGARH The charm of Goa comed to have lured the Hary ma State Basketball Association the vear when it allowed as many as 14 nonplayer to accompany the 19 member State contingent which participated in the recent 32nd Junior National at Margao The number of players was re-tricted to 10 boys and nine girls. though 12 players usually constitute a I basketball team Interestingly the 14

non players included 10 adults, seven of whom were given official designations Four were children who accompanied their parents on the Hunt

As expected both the Harvana boys and girls teams lost their matches played on May 17 and 18 but the group remained on till May 22 for te isons best known to the organisers Besides the group spent one whole day in Bomb is on their way back home. The guls were deteated in all three of their matches against Punjab (118 27) R masth in (54 29) and West Bengal (29/19) while the boys lost two matches (kainst Punjab (95/28) and Kerala (54 41)

More interesting was the facts that the secretary of the State body took his wife and two children along while i district excise and taxation commissioner too did not he sit ite to follow suit. The taxation officer went as a general manager and his wife as the miniscress. While the terms were lodged in a school the general manager and the manageress stayed in a hotel. Ridiculous though it might seem there was yet another lady in charge of the contingent. She was also accompanied by her husband and two children In addition a district sports officer went along with his wife. The officer was designated as the girls coach. A baskethall coach of the Sports Department made the trip in the espacity of the boys coach and the Director of Physical I ducation went as in assist int coach

SATISH HUMAR



CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Centuries before lunch more or less a habit

Question Who is the Pakistani who has made almost a habit of hit ting centuries before lunch?

Two of the three Test playing Pakistani couring servenished in the Test in which the cento before lench was scored

Beside the coulin responsible for that century mother was involved in a bowling dr im i

In reply to Fakistan - first innings of 565 for 9 sicket declared. New Zealand made 468. *Fore than haif of the total was raised by the List to exacket including 152 from wicket keeper W. K. Lee and B6 from kichard

"It was majestic batting...power and elegance"

UnitOrther 1976 in three bit mane and defruit rated by the resistance of the sescored a centur, but relian been the first day. of a Test match. ustrau ictor Trumper 1902 Charle Ascartne 147 in Libon Bridmin 120

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and had noter a well a cligance

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On tour for Faki tire and place is against the county for which the activate the came teat to ear later to bit a entur before unch in the our comblains, 147 in 89 minutes

The 100 came up in 61 minute, the fastist entury of the Inclish search in an innings that included 13 ix's five of them in one six ball over from Reger Davis. The 13 sixes in an inning let a record for Ingil hicricket. and tell only two short of the world record set by New Zealander John Reid as he hammered on 296 for Well inton against Northern Districts at Wellington 1962-63

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but the 5 dne mat ho the bard led of the 13.6% eries proved a triumph for the Fiki timbo ier, ho sing plenty of speed and agare ion he took sit sickets in each mning for match figure of 12 165 off 4 overs time of them maidens

In a match which relded Paki tan first winin Australia by eight wicket 360 and 32 for two wickets to 211 and 180+ he became only the econd Paki tan bowler to take 10 cr more wicket in a Telt against Australia. Ahead of him was Fa al Mahmood's 13 114 (6.34 and 7.80) in the first Australia Pakistan To thin Karachi in October 1956, It was the first six wickets in each innings performance against Australia since Fazal Mahmood's and the first in Australia since Hugh Tayfield took 6.84 and 7.81 for South Africa in McIbourne in 1952

In this Pakistan Australia series, which resulted in a win for each country and a draw the Pakistan cousin headed his team s wicket tikers with 18 at 28.83

Question 2 Who is the second Pakistani cousin?

Third—the eldest of the cousins played in 25 Tests for Pakistan in the sixties

He made three conturies against England and still shares records for fourth and fifth wicket partnerships against England—153 for the tourth with Mushing Mohammad and 197 for the fifth with Nasim ul Ghani

Two of his conturies were scored against Ted. Dester's team which toured Pakistan in 1961. 62 128 in the fir that Lahore when he shared ust and of 132 with Ahmed in addition to the record 153 with Mushing Mohammad, and 140 in the second Test, at Dacca. The 140 was made in the innings in which he and Nasim ul Ghani establi hed their fifth wicket

He was appointed captain of the Pakistan team which toured England in 1962 and during that four he hit three centuries anclud ing one in a Test 101 at Lord's

Question Who is the third Pakistani cousin?

Reserting to centuric before lunch on the firit. milming of a Tell two of the illustrious quartet who has a schieved this test reached their hundred before lunch with 13 minutes to

The marsin remains a world record for the fir t morning of a Telt as one of the others had tile minutes to pare and the other seven. minutes

Question Who holds the record?

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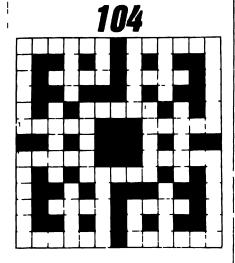
Question Who was the part ner in the two histor ic innings?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

- 1 E B Alletson His 189 in 90 minutes which wrote his name into cricket history were scored at Hove on May 20 1911 Other dashing innings he played included 88 out of 109 in 60 minutes against Derbyshire hitting four sixes and seven fours and 35 against Yorkshire when he drove Wilfred Rhodes for three sixes off consecutive balls-the first time anyone had done that to the redoubt able Rhodes Strangely in a short career the historic 189 at Hove remains Alletson's only century and he reached 50 only times more
- Cyril Walters
- 3 Denis Amiss caught Ian Chappell b Ashley Mallet for 90-when two short of Simpson s record-in the third Test Melbourne De cember 1974
- Charles Bannerman in the first Test of all in Melbourne in 1877 165 W L Murdoch at the Oval in 1884 211 R E Foster in Sydney in 1903 287 Don Bradman Leeds 1930 334 Len Hutton, the Oval, 1938 364

Crossword

Jones & O Brien



ACROSS

- 1 Item of sports programme comes back (6)
- 4 Danger no overtaking is signalled by this flag in motor racing (6)
- 7 Laid by punters (4)
- 8 Sobers in one over made a hash of this bowler (4)
- 10 Heturning sundries (5)
- 13 He succeeded his fellow countryman Kolehmainen a Olympic 10 000 metre champion in 1920 (5)
- 11 Indian cricketer accused albeit harsh ly of shoplifting (4 1)
 15 Popular fish for food and game (5)
- 15 Popular fish for food and game (5)16 John Lloyd's perennial doubles part ner (5)
- 18 To have a hand in this type of a delivery (5)
- 22 Underarm instructor (4)
- 23 Tame this chess term (4)
- 1 Native stick and ball game of the Scottish Highlands (6)
- 25 Indian tennis player holds a degree later for proficiency in judo (6)

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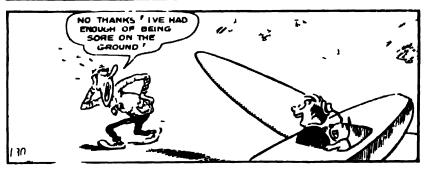
- 1 In cricket this helps batsmen to sight the ball (6)
- ∠ Carden of Adam and Eve is a stadium
 (4)
- 3 Greatest Indian fielders initials (1 1 1)
- 4 Brand of sports gear (5)
- 5 For the first time India did not find the Olympic hockey gold at Rome
- 6 Jackman replaced him in the West Indies (6)
- 9 Person walking the aisle who is also employed to take care of horses (5)
- 10 Atila the Hun supervises Indian ten nis (1 1 1 1 1)
- 11 German swimmer has to terminate at the start (5)
- 12 Many long walks in the country for pleasure and exercise (5)
 15 Bridge term has its posterior in the
- middle (6)
 17 Wimbledon champion concludes with
- a hideout (6) 19 Both League and Union (5)

SPORTY





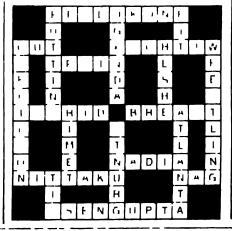




- 20 North Zone cricketer whose surname is in the red (4)
- 21 Some tennants are nasty is the Christian name of a tennis player (4)
- 23 Nineteen of them in carroms (3)

(Solutions next week)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO 103



Quiz

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QUESTIONS

Fill in the blanks

- Prakash Padukone won the Danish and the crowns before winning the All England title at Wembley last year
 The father of the famous En
- 2 The father of the famous English Test cricketer was a planter in Mysore State and later during the World War II became a Recruiting Officer at Cannanore
- 3 IASM is the abbreviation for-
- Aslam Sher Khan India's former Olympian hockey full back is the son of—
 ——who had represented India in the 1936 Olympic hockey tournament at Berlin
- 5 Wrestler Sudesh Kumar finished—
- —In the Munich Olympics
 Balwant Singh of Punjab won the Arjuna
 Award for his excellence in—

ANSWERS

- 6 Volleyball
 - 5 Fourth
- nad Sher Khen
 - Ciue
- The Indian Association of Sports Medi
 - Swedish

Question box

Prakash Dahatonde Bombay

Q Who is the first batsman to score a century on debut in Tests?

A Charlie Bannerman of Australia in the very firit Test against England at Mel bourne in 1475 77

Sujay Roy Chowdhury Burdwan

Q is a hatsman given out if the ball deflected of his pad first and then bat is caught by a fielder?

A No.

Sushil Kumar Jain Calcutta

Q is there an instance of the rival cap tains scoring a duck in both inning." A No.

Debashis Dutta Dhanbad

Q Who is the Indian batsman to score the slowest century in Test? Give details

A Dilip Vengsarkar while making his knock of 146 no against Pakistan at Delhi in 1979 80 his 100th run in 437 minutes which is the slowest century for India

Ashok Khemka Delhi

Q Has Vishwanath kept wickets for India in an official Test?

A Yes for a short while in the first Test vs Pakistan at Faisalabad in 1978 79

Ajay Kumar Rai Jhumri Talaiya

Q is there any bowler who has taken more wickets in a calendar year than lan Botham's 63 wickets in 1978?

A Yes Kapil Devicaptured 74 wickets in 17 Tests in the calendar year 1979 which is a world record

Jagdish Vishwanath, Bangalore

1 How many batsmen have aggregated over 2 000 runs without the aid of a century?

A Only one—Chetan Chauhan of India Q How many players have represented New Zealand in Tests?

A 149 as on 1151981

Miss Swapna Berhampur

Q How many runs have been scored by Karsan Ghavri in Ranji Duleep and Irani matches I would like to know his 100 s and 50 s in these matches together with the number of wickets?

A Karsan Ghavri has scored 1608 with the help of one 100 s and 13 50 s and captured 170 wickets in Ranji Trophy 209 runs with one fifty and 30 wickets in Duleep Trophy and 78 runs without 100 s or 50 s and 11 wickets in Irani Cup matches as on 11 5 1981

Bridge

Last week s quiz

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This week's quiz

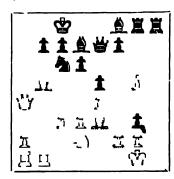
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18 QR - Q1 QR K1 19 B - Q5ch K Kt2
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22 Q - Q2 P QR4 23 Kt Q3 P - Kt3
24 KR Kt P R3 25 P B3 K - R2
26 P - QKt3 B - R5 27 R KB1 B Kt4
28 Q Kt2 P - R1 29 Kt - B2 Kt B7

30 P - KKt4 P x P 32 P x B R x P 34 QR - K1 Kt x R 36 B - Q2 B x B 38 Q x B Q - K2 40 B B7 Q x B 31 P x P Kt - K6 33 Kt K4 B B5 35 R x Kt K Kt2 37 R x R P x R 39 Q - KKt2ch K R3 41 Q - Kt5ch Rusigns

Competition G469

Chess



Solution to G468 (Trusting Atkins Amsterdam 1899) (r6r 1p1bq3 3p1nk1 3Pp1p1 1 P2Ppn1 R4P2 P1B3K1 2Q1N1BR - Black to play)

Howard Williams George

1 P - Q4 K1 - KB3 2 P - Q84 P - KK13 3 Kt - Q83 B - Kt2 4 P - K4 0 - 0 5 Kt - B3 P - Q3 6 B - K2 P - K4 7 0 - 0 Kt - B3 8 P - Q5 Kt - K2 9 Kt - K1 Kt - Q2 10 Kt - Q3 P - KB4

Problem No 1134

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Solution to No. 1133 (Eaton) (b6B r5R1 R1n1Pk2 3Q4 5P1b 8 8 7K - mate in two)

Only for those who like to be sure

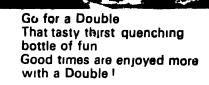


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tters to the Editor

Pessimistic

LTHOUGH Richie Be Anaud has rightly asses sed the strenghts and weak nesses of the Australian team now touring Ingland one does feel that he is being a little too pessimistic in his views when he states that this team will miss the services of Greg Chappell ind Len Piscoc and their ibsence may influence the result of the series in favour of Ingland

After surviving the ordeal of a tough tour of the West Indies and the fire of the fearsome quartet of fist bowlers the English bats men are not going to relish the prospect of facing Dennis Fillee Rodney Hogg and Geoff Liwson who probably constitute as for midable in opening ittack is invitodiv Indeed they are possibly the second best opening attack in the world An indication of this is the fict that the Aussic pace men have already found their rhythm in the few matches they have played in Lnglind

Again much is Australia will depend on Hughes Bor der Marsh Lillee ind Hogg I ngland have only Boycott Gooch and Gower to look torward to the Inglish bowling attack is probably the weakest with Dilley only showing some class and Both im sidly lacking the required form. English cricket certainly seems to have reached a very uncertain stage thanks to the West Indies

It would therefore not be surprising to see the old English warhorses in action is inevitably the selectors will look upon them- i typical English characteris tic displayed on more than one occasion in the past Indeed at this stage Austra lia seems to be in a better position and all in all the Test series may turn out to be quite interesting

P K SUBRAMANIAM Bombay

Ambiquous

THE conclusions arrived Lat by Chuni Goswami in his article Don't pamper toreign tootballers though pertinent remain rather ambiguous They may have echoed the sentiments of many who desire the well being of Indian soccer but some of his views are indeed par idoxical

It cannot be agreed that the inclusion of foreign players in Calcutta soccer clubs has stifled local talent and is acting is an impediment to the growth of Indi in soccer. The reasons are manifold Firstly it is to be borne in mind that only three foreign tootballers Mijid Jamshid and Khaba it it is playing this season in Calcutta During 1950 there was just one more in the torm of David Williams from Nigeria Just a handful of foreign players cannot possibly prevent the blos soming of local talent. The growth and encouragement of local talent depend en tirely on club policies (whether the stress will be on recruiting local players or not) proper incentives exposure to the people with the help of a responsible soccer Press et al Mr Gos wami also thinks that the local big clubs may go in for recruiting foreign players in i big way in the near future That this view is utterly puerile is amply proved when seen in the light of the tact that only the Big Three in ittord to rope in foreign players. The 24 odd smaller clubs cannot even make their own ends meet let alone burgun for foreign player Secondly with the istronomical amount de minded by toreign players a big club is even compelled to draw a line in context of the fixed however big budget involved

The problem it invidues not lie in the induction of foreign players by the Big Three but the exodus of outstation players to Calcut ta In 1950 is many as nine outstation players (excluding the foreign players) don ned the Big Three outfits This year the number ha risen to eleven. Any probeinto local tilent being pushed into oblivion needs to be viewed from the outstation exodus ingle rather than the foreign player angle

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THE BIG SPLASH

Bangalore Karnataka's Chief Minister literally took the plunge to inaugurate a corporation swimming pool. Mr. Gundu Rao attired in swimming trunks made a mighty splash when he dived backwards into the pool much to the delight of his juvenile audience. Not to be out done, a Janata MLA followed (in bathing) suit.

SPORTING GESTURES

Bombay The principal of a city high school was pleasantly surprised one morning on receiving a cheque in his mail. It came from an ext udent who had pinched some sports equipment from the school many year, earlier and was now making amends. Some week later the principal received another cheque from another grateful. It dent who specified it should be used to purchase sport equipment for the chool. However, the gentleman who had read in the papers of the earlier gift was careful to add the following P. S. to himote. I have not pinched any sport equipment from my Alma Mater.

Quote John McEnroe, after beating Vija, Amritraj 6.1.6.2.6.1 in the final of the WCT Challenge Cup in Montreat Canada. It via caster than it looked

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Do we really need these changes?

ASHOK KAMATH questions the logic behind the proposed amendments to some major rules governing the game of hockey and seeks the views of renowned umpire MOHAMED GHOUSE on this subject

ON March 7 1981 the Rules Board of the Ecderation de Internationale Hockey (EIH) met in London and suggested amendments to about tive major rules governing the game. The proposed amendments will be "experimented with from September 1 this year before they finally take their place in the statute book."

The amendments proposed represent a definite setback to what is generally referred to as the Indian style of hockey and conversely is a definite shot in the aim to what is generally referred to is the lurope in style of hockey. Of course, all the changes that are to come in about the rules of the game are done with in idea of speeding up the game and avoiding avoidable wastages of time.

It is indeed a matter of great shame. that the Indian abcontinent specific cally and the A ran entirent in general has never quite had a lay in the affairs of the world body that coverns the same of hockey. The HIII sould have us to believe that there is not a single Indi in or Pakist ini who has the 1 bonatides to be a member of the Rules! Board which seeks to bring about far reaching change to the very sime this sub continent taught the world to play Because of the fact that A ran countries are the outnumbered by those from the continent another form of neo imperialism has been sought to be a perpetrated

The fallout of the proposed amend ments is that hockey will soon be a very dangerous a me to play. The new rule, seek to invert with the umpire additional discretionar possers by making the rule - ufficiently clistic to make their respective interretations highly subjective. Consider the one concerning the sticks rule. The operative line in the new rule is. Is a particular action dimercus to mother player. Under the pre-entirules you have a clearcut rule regarding the raising of the stick above shoulder level By giving the tamping a carte blanche to penalise a player commitor whitever the possible danger) the under the proposed amendment a player could use his stick to threaten as it were another player and get away with it simply because the action in itself may not have onstituted danger or led to dangerous play. A crude but more or less aptimalogy would be about a person this atening you by holding a loaded gun to



your head but not committing an offence simply because his linger is as yet nowhere near the trigger. Of course a provision is included to penalise an action which might lend itself to dangerous play. This is going to be a very thin line to draw and is bound to lead to a lot of heartburn on and off the field. Moreover, players are going to be more apprehensive about tackling an opponent once the existing sticks rule is liberalised.

One presumes that the idea behind making the sticks rule more elastic is to reduce the number of stoppages during the course of the game—, stick is about the most common infringements committed in a game of hockey. But the logic behind it and the remedy for it smacks of trying to penalise the inventor of the motor car simply because it is the most frequent used vehicle in a criminal getaway.

raising of the stick above shoulder level. By giving the ampire a carte blanche to penalise a player committing stick, (whate er his intentions or whatever the possible danger) the ground during a free hit. This is going to lead to a jot of under cut or whatever the possible danger) the rule had a preventive role to play. But

intimidate a rival player Imagine a penalty corner being taken A defender is bound to be psyched by the very fact that the ball need not necessarily have to travel along the ground and, therefore, at the back of his mind is the sword of Damocles hanging—the threat of physical injury. No sir, things are going to be quite difficult if a preventive rule like the ball necessarily having to travel along the ground is withdrawn. This may not be as acute in the case of a free hit award because at least there the defenders have a choice.

In my estimation, among the amendments suggested, the one about the pass back replacing the bulls off to stait or restart a game seems reasonable as also the proposal to withdraw the requirement for six members of the defending team to be behind the goal line and the rest behind the centre line during a corner penalty corner Both these proposed modifications have obviously been taken from football and are bound to sive time

Following are the amendments sought to be introduced from September this year on a experimental basis Rule 10 the bully

The bully at the centre of the field to start or restart the game will be a placed by a passible. Consequential changes to Rule 2(A) will give captains a choice of either a passiback or the end to defend

Rule 12 conduct of play
Rule 12 I (C) sticks rule. The word
ing has been amended to permit the
raising of the stick above the shoulder
but considerable emphasis will be
placed upon danger and other actions
before during or after the stroke
Rule 12 II (B) use of the hand except
in the event of dangerous play by any
player except the goalkceper will be
withdrawn.

Rule 14 free hit

Under this rule the ball may be hit or pushed. The current requirement for it to go along the ground will be withdrawn. However, the factor will be emphasised.

Also the requirement for players of the team taking the free hit to be five varos from the ball will be withdrawn except for free hits within five yards of the circle

Rule 17 ball outside field of play 1F56(1) Over sidelines a hit or push will be permitted instead of the push at the present

(2) Over goalline

(B) By a defender the requirement for members of the defending team to retire behind the goalline or halfway line for a corner is withdrawn

SPORTSWORLD What do you think of the proposed amendments of the rules governing the game of hockey.

MOHAMED GHOUSE I think the game will have more playing time because the flow of the game will be less hampered by stoppages SPWD But do you not think that the traditional Asian style hockey will be affected by the proposed changes. Or in other words, do not the new rules sought to be introduced favour the Furopean style of hockey more?

MG That is not for me to say

SPWD Okay, but do you agree that there is not a single umpire from the Indian sub-continent who is on the Rules Board of the FIH? Or for that matter, there is not a single Asian on the Rules Board?

MG I m afraid you are asking the wrong person. You can ask me about the rules proper and I will be in a position to answer your questions.

SPWD Fine Do you believe that the new rules or rather the suggested amendments of rules, place a relatively higher responsibility on the umpire?

MG Yes I igree with you Considerable stress has been laid on the interpretation of what constitutes dangerous play. And the umpire will have to be very discreet about this. He can penalise a player only if he (the umpire) believes that the particular players action is dangerous to the other player players. In other words the proposed rules are sufficiently elistic if I may say so to allow the umpire to blow only if in his opinion a particular action constitutes a danger to an opponent. This is why I tend to agree with you that the umpires have additional discretion its powers unlike now where there are cleareut rules As we go along I shall explain to you what I mean

SPWD Now let's get down to the proposed modification of some of the rules one by one. We guess that it is generally agreed that the back pass which is to replace the current bully off to start a game will minimise wastinge of time on this score. But what we want to know is your opinion about the liberalisation of the rule concerning sticks' Would you consider it a step in the right direction.

MG. The wording of rule 12 Icci sticks rule has been amended to permit raising of the stick above the shoulder. But what must not be torgotten is that considerable emphasis will be placed upon the danger such an action might cause to another player before during or after the execution of a stroke.

It is my personal experience that nowadays players seldom hit the ball without intringing the sticks rule. There is no point in penalising the player for sticks so long it does not constitute dangerous play. There will be far less stoppages on account of sticks'. Here the interpretation of whether or not a particular action is



dangerous is left to the umpire

SPWD What do you think about the proposed clause which amends the free hit rule and withdraws the requirement for the ball to be hit along the ground?

MG. The new rule relixes the restriction of the bill travelling ilong the ground when it is hit or pushed no doubt. But it is also within the umpires discretionary powers to pull up a player if he feels that the particular hit or puth stroke is physically hamful to my other player. The danger factor will be emphasised.

It is to be seen whether a push during a free hit can be an overhead pass without being dangerous in itself or leading to dangerous play and how much this will contribute to the promotion of the same

A further addition to the new proposal is the restriction for player of the team taking a free hit to be five yards away from the ball. This is onl to avoid closs marking by the players of the opposing team and minimise

wastage of time as is generally the practice now

All o going along with the line of thinking is the push in rule. The bill may be hit or pushed under the experimental rules instead of the pu-honly as at present. This will certainly increase the playing time a quite often much time is wasted in keeping the players five vards in it from the ball. The moment the players know that a push in or a hit in is the case may be is being taken they will automatically keep themselves it i safe distance. Further a kind of poetic justice will be rendered to the te start of the game as in a 16 yard hit the attacking team which gets a push in neater the defending terms goalline will hit the ball icross which s certainly an advantage to the team on the attack. This is not the same in in award of the push in under the existing rules

SPWD How about the 'soccerisation of the corner award'

MG. When the ball goes over the go illine off the stick of a defender the requirement for members of the defending team to retire behind the go illine or half was line is proposed to be withdrawn. Ihi rule has been proposed to be imended with a view to ivoid wisting of time and also to increase field goals. The mode of operation of the modified corner resembles that of soccer. The restriction of ix defenders to be behind their own positine and the rest beyond the centreline is to be withdrawn. The present corner rule is time con umine and much time is saved at the modified rules come into torce It is common knowledge that keeping the players of the defending side behind the goalline during a corner is a wastage of time and a formidable tack for the umpire

SPWD We take it that you believe that the proposed changes are by and large for the betterment of the game Did you at any time suggest any particular rule you wanted amended to the Rules Board?

MG During the umpires seminar it the list Inter Continental Cup Tournament at Fulla Lumpur in April I suggested that the off-side rule bedispensed with completely. The idea is to encourage more field goal in international hockey. Let us for a moment think of the consequences of the off side rule being dispensed with Let's say team. A has three of her forwards permanently in off ideposition. The defending team will naturally have them all marked Contrary to what you may imagine all the basic kills will be encouraged because both the teams will have the advintage of being off ide (while attacking) and dividuanting (while detending their own goal). There will be a lot more field goals and a lot of the basic skills will be encouraged

News : International

ASIAN TRACK & FIELD MEET

India could have done better

WITH five gold as many silver and nine bronze medals round their necks how does one assess the performance of our athlets at the fourth Asian Frack and Field Championships at Tokyo Nor bad But it could have been better

If only our top women athletes like PTI sha Sreekumari Amma and Angel Mary Joseph had been tit enough to compete our girls would have given India a couple of more medals. Without them the women share of the 19 medals was five Similarly the absence of some leading athletes like Pavittar Singh Poonam Singh and Shivnath Singh could have

cost us a few medals But it could also be argued that the final medals table could have been slightly different had the North Koreans, Iranians and Israelis been there at Tokyo

All this is said because, with the Asian Games to be held in New Delhi in November 1982, India will, as usual be depending heavily on its track and field athletes to swell her medals tally

With walker Chand Ram giving India the first gold medal of the meet India could not have wished for a better start. Not only the first gold also the first silver medal. For tollow ing Chand Ram home in the 20km walk was another hardy army man Ranjit Singh In 1 way they were lucky for the Chinese participant who entered the stadium about a hundred metres ahe id of our man, was disqual ified for running. Be that as it may this is not the first time that an Indian soldier has marched his way to gold in the Asian meet Last time at the same place Hakam Singh had won the gold med il in one hour 35 minutes and 595 seconds Chand Ram went through the grinding heel toe heel toe routine in 1 34 08 to set a new meet record Ranjit followed in 1 35 20

By the time the first day's program

me was gone through at Tokyo's National Stadium before a thin working day attendance, the Indian contingent was richer by four silver and the same number of bronze medals. Only Japan who, as hosts had the privilege to have three entries in an event had more medals—eight gold, five silver five bronze. But at least one of the eight Japanese gold medals came very close to being wrested by an Indian He was Gopal Saini one of the outstanding runners of India and Asia

The bearded 26 year old Railway man from Jaipui was running neck and neck with Masanori Shintaku as they approached the last hurdle in the 3 000 metres steeplechase. The story of that last hurdle is a sorry one as far as Saini is concerned. The two rivals took off at the same time. But Saini who steps on the husdle rather than clear it clean as the Japanese did made a fractional error of timing and fumbled. That made all the difference The Japanese went on to win in eight minutes 29 09 seconds. Saint was a close second in 8 30 49—tar better than the timing of 8 37 4 he had clock ed at the Patiala trials in May By taking the bronze medal in \$ 52.67 Anokh Singh of the time give India another medal in the rice

Afterwards Saini said. I must now pay more attention to my hurdle clear ance technique. While my way is to step on the hurdle before going over



India s A Rajan (49) breasts the tape first in the 800 m clocking 1 50 21 while Kuwaiti Khalid Khaleafa (94) came second Japan's Takatune Teranishi (215) finished third

Shintaku was tlying over Still I man aged not only to keep abreast but was actually waiting for a clean clearance over the last hurdle before outsprint ing him to the tape Had I timed my stride well on that hurdle and gone smoothly over without fumbling, the gold medal would have been mine, because I have no doubt I am stronger than the Japanese when it comes to tinishing However, by the time I reco vered after fumbling Shintaku had widened the gap a little too much for me to cover in the short distance to the tape 'Saini was a steeplechase broze medallist in 9 12 4 in 1979 in the same Olympic Stadium It shows how he has improved

India's performance at a glance in the four Asian track and field meets held so far

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But Sami was supreme in the 5 000 metres on the last day. The Japanese runners tried to box him but he was too clever to be trapped. Sami had seen what they had done to Sint Kum ir the 1 500 metres bronze medallist on the first day and was determined not to allow anybody to but his way to the gold.

Same who was the first Indian to break the 14 minute barrier in the 5,000 metres when he took the bronze in the 1979 Tokyo meet in 13,59,3, this time won the gold medal in 13,52,22 a new meet record

After his splendid triumph a beam ing Saini explained how he had outwit ted the Japanese. Soon after the start I sensed the Japanese were trying to block me But I was quite pre-ared I was determined not to allow them to trap me. I spoilt their plans by running a Fartlek type of race. I ist and slow fist and slow I wished I had another Indian in the race like Shivnath Singh to support me. An experienced teammate like him in the race would have helped me clock an even better timing. He could have paced me in order to give me about half a dozen lap of 65.66 seconds.

Sami also felt that Shivnath could have given India a bronze medal in the 10 000 metres. Veteran Shivnath was dropped from the Indian contingent because government officials said be could not better the qualifying standards.

Sini had a special word for the sporting Japanese Sunday crowd. I could hear the roar that went up from the stands when I began my finishing sprint. This type of noise is very encouraging to a runner when he is miking his last ditch effort. I have seldom telt such encouragement in a rice even in my own country. The I ipanese crowd is very discerning.

NOW back to the first day when Sant Kumar who is training at the Indian Military Academy to be a com



India's first gold and silver came in the 20km walk Chand Ram(centre). Hanjit Singh (nght) and Malaysia's V. Subramaniam

missioned officer in the Army found himself blocked in the 1500 metres. Sant Kum ir who represented India in the Moscow Olympic Games where he was eliminated in the heats for he could clock no better three minutes 55 b seconds for the eighth place was



Gita Zutshi- still a threat

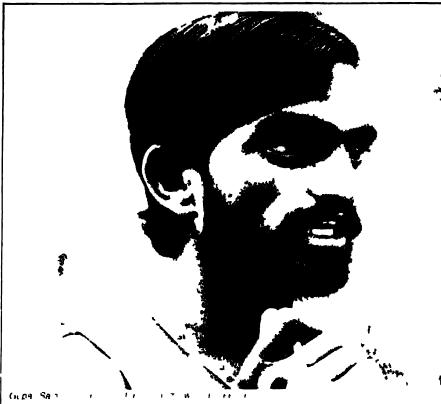
sent to Tokyo as the country's number one 1 500 metres man. But here Sukh want Singh of the Railways stole the show from Sant by winning the silver medal in 3 51 88 Sant took the bronze medal in 3 52 12. The winner was Japan's Takashi Jishi in 3 50 63

From the shot putting ring which was once a stronghold of India kuw it's Mohammed Zinkiwi wilked away with the gold med il leiving the lesser prizes to two Indians. Bihidui Singh and Vijix Bihidui Zinkiwi who hid also beaten Bahidui Singh in the Indian Open Meet in New Delhi in March won the gold with a toss of 17-87 metres. Bihidui's best effort measured. 17-34 and that of young Vijix Bahidui 16-71

In the remaining first days mensevents featuring Indians. P Subramaniam KS Balasubramani ind Raghbi Singh Bal could only get the minor places. Subramaniam was fifth in the 200 metres in 21.59 seconds. Balasubramani was fourth in the 400 metres hurdles in 52.02 seconds and Bal was also fourth in the hammer throw his best effort measuring 63.84 metres. All three hammer medallists were Japanese—Murofush (69.62) Kawata (66.84) and Ifuku (65.95)

But almost unnoticed tall dark handsomely built Sabir Ali had been busy excelling in the decathlon the ten events being spread equally over the first two days

Before the first day was over Mer cy Mathew gave India her first med al—a bronze—in the women's division In a close contest in the long jump pit Mercy a slim girl from Kerala, leaped



5.91 metres to take third place behind chin is. Wu. Leng. (5.97) and Japan's Atsulo Okada (5.93). But in the 400 metres. Hamida Banu (50.94) and Rita Sen. (57.25) could only get the sixth and exenth places. In the 1979 meet Mrs. Sen. had won the alver med along 54.99 seconds.

The returns for India on the second day were not as lucrative as on the first Yet they succeeded in making in impact because the day saw the birth of a new Asian decithlon star in Sabir Ali who won the eight with a total of 7.253 points. But more about him elsewhere in this magazine

Git i Zutshi confirmed her standing is the top. As in middle distance run ner by winning the 800 metres gold med il with a timing of two minutes 08.13 seconds. To this she added the 1.500 metres silver med il on the third day with a timing of 4.28.98. Ahe id of her was China's Zhang Xiuen in 4.21.11.

In addition to gold medals by Sibir Ali and Zurshi on the second day bronze medals were earned by Sathr Singh in the 110 metres hurdles and Bil in the discus Sithir clocked 14 59 behind two Jip mese Fujimori (14 22) and Kishiwazaki (14 33). Balasubramani was fourth in 15 04. This young there from Tamil Nadu might have fuled to win a medal. But watch out or him. He shows promise as a 400 metres hurdler.

The satisfaction that the gold med als won by Sabir Ali and Zutshi gave Indicion the second day vas mured by the draqualitication of its 4, 100 metres relay ream at the third changeover involving Subramaniam and Adil Sumarivala. They were guilty of overstepping the zone marked for the purpose 1 of the record the Indian

foursome came home fourth in 40° seconds. Informed observers commented on the lack of sufficient practice in baton changing on the part of the Indian sprint team. An Indian athlete was heard lamenting that Sumarivala, the top Indian sprinter had turned up at the training camp at Patiala almost on the eve of the team's departure, thus denying the relay mensufficient practice. Perfect coordination in baton changing is the essence of relay running.

Another disappointment was the tailure of Uday Prabhu to win a medal in the 400 metres. Prabhu's timing of 47.53 could get him only the sixth place in the event the heats finals and finals of which were held on the second day at 50 minute intervals Indian athletes are not trained for such crowded quick moving sche-Jules In fact not only Indian athletes but also those of some other nations complained about the way the prog ramme had been drawn up Kuwait ind Bahriin for example withdrew from the 1600 metres iclay because their runners did not want to jeopir disc their chances in the individual events

The highlight of the third and list day from India's point of view was of course the 5 000 metres triumph of Gopal Saini followed by the 600 metres gold medal bagged by A Rajan with a timing of one minute 50 21 seconds—a victory which was sweet revenge over Kuwait's Khalid Khalifa who had besten the Indian at the Indian Open last March Khalid clock ed 1 50 37. A sub 1 50 timing was expected of the Indian who has started coming into his own with the great Sriram Singh not keeping good health these days.

been chosen in the Asian team for the World Cup meet in Rome in Septem ber, he should have got the encourage ment to start working harder Saini and Gita Zutshi are the remaining Indians in the Asian squad

When Gita Zutshi took the second place in the women's 1,500 metres, she matched the gold silver performance of Saini

Young M D Valsamma of Kerala making her maiden international appearance had special cause to remember the last day at Tokyo It brought her two medals both bronze. They came in the 400 metres hurdles in which she clocked 61 16 econds and the 1600 metres relay in which he helped India 641 a bronze

helped India get a bronze.

That relay bronze could have been gold but for a mishap when Mrs Sen was racing round the bend before the home stretch. The Japanese runner in her desperation to overtake the leading Mrs. Rita Sen mudged into her with the result that the Indian fell inside the track while her baton vent flying into the outer lane. Picking herself and the baton Mr. Seatian aged to finish fourth behind Japan Malaysia and the Philippines. But since Japan vere diqualitied Indianoved to the third por

Bakhtawar Khambatta making the trip on a no cost to covernment base found the competition in the het putted and discuss too classy for her. The Chinese winner of the ear ent are in the 17 metre, plus and 30 metre, classy Miss. Khambatta belong to the 1

metres and 37 metre cla So much from the Indian ingle Overall the meet will be remembered for the javelin throwing of China Shen Maomao (85 40m) and that country's dominance of the jumps the uperb sprinting of Thailand Sochart Lies in part who is a vorthy access or to Ratin spol and the emerger of a long distance champion of a little 17 year old Japane e choolgal Ake mi Masuda She not only son the 3 006 metres in the A ran record riming of nine minutes 15.17 econds but if o went on to outclass the field in a special 10 000 metres race. The challengers included the Boston marathon winner Allison Roe of New Zeal and The Japanese techage won the race in 33 minutes 13.22 seconds -not bad even by men's standards

Chin is gold med ils included one by 18 year old high jumper. Thu Jianhua whose leap of 230 metres should put him in the world class striightaway. East Germany. Gerd Wessig holds the world record at 236 metres. Zou Zhenxian's triple jump of 1705 metres also puts him in the top bracket. Only three men.—Jiak Uudmae (USSR—1735). Viktor Sinevey (USSR—1724) and Joao de Olivena (Brazil—1722 recorded higger leaps in the 1980. Moscow. Olympics. La Yuhuang is the only Asian after Indias Yohannan to achieve an eight metre plus leap in the long jump. Las winning leap measured 80° metres.

A CORRESPONDENT

Sabir Ali: I aim to touch 8,000 pts.

BOY's natural yearning to be the first to handle a brand new, cherry red cricket ball led Kapil Dev to take up fast bowling In the case of Sabir Ali, Asian decathlon gold medallist at Tokyo, it was the lure of a tracksuit and a cash award of Rs 101 that led him to try his hand at every track and field event he could think of It was the tracksuit more than the cash "I just wanted to show off before the other village lads" says Sabir Ali, adding, You know a tracksuit means a lot in a village

The award offered at the annual athletic mect of Mukand Lal National College Radaur Haryana, where Sibir Ali was a student sever I terrs ago He desperately winted to win that tracksuit and show it off to the lads, maybe the la es il o in his native village of Nicht un in Kurukshetta district a thir. Alt did win it and did show off it his village. A handsomely built young man of 6 ft 3 in and ideal weatht of 31 kg. Sabir must have looked quite a figure in his first tracksuit. Up in the north, there is a very strong sense of belonging, and like every one else with rural roots, Sabu mentions his village with a actural recling of pride

Sibir Ali went up to Kurukshet University to take a master's degree in physical education Youngest of a family of five brothers and sisters and treated with the indulgence which is some ching of a right of a child bringing up the rear at was at Kurukshetra that Sabir Ali began to blossom into a decathlete

Recalling his Kurukshetra days, Sabir says, We had a very good library at Kurukshetra University and I was attracted by what I read on athletes like Roger Bannister and Bob Mathias, who was the world's best decathlon man at the ige of 18 Their photos left a deep impre sion on my mind To win the decathlon at Kurukshetra I would secretly train at night, even in the freezing temperatures of winter nights

Sabir was champion at Kuruk shetra yet, for all his promise, could not make good in the inter university meets at Varanasi and Hyderabad A simple village boy, the distant train journeys and food outside Haryana made him sick But now he has adapted himself to the jet age and all the demands it makes on modern man

The turning point in his athletic career came when the Railways offered him a job That was in 1977 when Sabir's best decathion total was 5,747 points He improved fast and has been national champion



Sabir Ali on the victory stand

since 1976 But he was an unsung hero till he won the gold medal at Tokyo with a total of 7,253, which was less than what he totalled (7,358) at the Patiala trials, because his performances in the javelin, pole vault hurdles and high jump fell short of his achievements at home

"However the gold medal has come as a great encouragement and now I aim to improve so that I can touch 8,000 points by next year," says Sabir Ali

Sabir Ali is a decathlon cham pion in the great tradition of Vijay Singh Chauhan and Gurbachan Singh Randhawa Randhwa, finalist in 110 m hurdles in the 1964 Olym pics, in fact, coached Sabir in the hurdles at the Patiala camp Ran dhawa has a very high opinion of Sabir Ali's athletic process and thinks he will go far with guidance and competitive experience

In his time, Randhawa was the national high hurdles, long jump and javelin champion in addition to being the decathlon number one Right now, Sabir Ali also is toying with the ambition of achieving something similar That he has it in him there is no doubt How many people know that with a throw of 68 06 metres he had beaten India's current crop of javelin specialists at the Patiala trials? The field in cluded such men as Om Pal and Gurtej Singh, both of Telco

Sabir may become the national tayelin champion in the near future if he has a tilt at the title. But he has little chance of an Asian Games javelin gold what with Chines Shen Maomao hurling the speed 55 metres I know that says Subar but modestly adds that. There is time to improve

Did he study the Chinese chim pion at Tokyo? Yes I watched him closely" says Sabir Physicall the Chinese athletes are nothin extraordinary I think the e pert Chinese coaches make all the dir ference Their tips must be making all the difference-like which part of the body, the strength and explo-

sive comes from and its timini
It is a pity for Sabir Ali that his own State of Haryana does not even know of his existence as a decath lete Gita Zutshi has been duly honoured and encouraged by the State It lost no time in joining the long queue to acclaim Kapil Dev as a heto

Pound for pound, Sabir Ali is today the country's number one athlete Now that they have heard of him, will they wake up at Chandi garh? Or, is it that in a land where cricketers are pampered beyond all decent proportion, they will have to be explained the true meaning of a national and Asian decathlon cham

A CORRESPONDENT

County Cricket Review

Nottinghamshire outshine all other contenders

ASHIS RAY reports from London

A present three tournment are found in the Court Champion hip and the lefth Place Sounds League both on bucked on all a ne bear. But we and above that there east the League under the lefth and Hedre Cup the first tree of buch his no been completed. The National Worming to lingh a Linewestern as ment and never on to the Callette Cup will take place from July anward.

The B and H Cup is therefore in the quarter final stage. A system of seeding was instituted in the contest last year which makes the draw for the last eight to ims look somewhat preairinged. This is sensible as it is based on past display although the weather in May has taken its toll on last year swinners. North imptonshire and the favourite. Middlesex.

Thus the line up for the quarter

timils to be held on June 24 reads Yorkshire versus Somerset at Headingley Sussex versus Leicester shire it Hove Kent versus Warwick shire it Canterbury and Nottingham shire versus Surrey at Lient Bridge

As is evident it's in iway gime for Somerset, and Yorkshire are no mean opponents. But the West Country unit with the two England players lan Both im and Brian Rose, not to mention those hovering on the tringes of the Test scene like Peter Roebuck and Vic Marks, and the presence of the West Indians Viv Richards, and Joel Griner cannot be taken lightly

Admittedly they have to take into account the skills of Cooff Boycott. Bill Athey. David Bairstow. John Hamp shire Chir. Old Graham Steveson and the new England cap (in one day). Im I over but given normal conditions the visitor. Implication that it is the cake.

The encounter between Sussex and



Ian Botham he and Brian Rose will be missed by Somerset

Pleyer of the week Geoff Boycott

BACK, then, to the decree of the week In other words, the choice of the cricketer of the week

Among the several singular ac quisitions, the showings of Hem mings and Todd, because they contributed to a victory, cannot be ignored Nor can one overlook the innings of 135 by Brearley, the highest individual scorer of the week, and who, as usual, captained the side brilliantly, and almost earned victory over Hampshire on what was a very good wicket at Basingstoke And why not take into account Lever's ten wickets?

This being a seven day span when an important international took place, the achievements in the first class category must, unfortunately, take a back seat Even in the first one day match between England and Australia, the bowling of Lillee, and the batting of Border, Gooch and Gower whetted one's appetite no end But could England have attained victory without the sheet anchor innings of 75 provided by Geoffrey Boycott? "Sir Geoffrey", as Yorkshiremen love to call him, has always been a glutton for runs. To him the type of cricket has made no difference, and his technique at the age of forty is better than ever before Indeed, he boasts an awarage of over 40 in one day spotts along, where the risks in vived are much greater than in eather first class or Test cricket.

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But he began this summer much in the fashion the late Kenneth Envirington used to, lacking runs early on and waiting for the big occasion to run into form In fact, a day's day's ago he publicly complished about the lack of respite between the tour of the West Indies and the start of the English season, which, according to him, made it inflicting for liter to consentrate. Came the limited overs Test, therever, and he was back in his groove, sking up the stauston like a hawk, carried that according his about a top locally land to the consentration of the consentration in the stauston like a land to the consentration of the consentrat

Leicestershire should be a close game
For the former, Imran Khan and Paul
Parker are, this season in very good
form But then, so are David Gower
and Brian Davison in the opposite
camp and this side, moreover will be
looking at Andy Roberts to deliver the
goods in bowling
Kent versus Warwickshire is an

trees warwickshire is an interesting clash Kent, this year led by Asif Iqbal are by reputation and on paper a very composite side but last summer tinished empty handed In contrast Warwicks are a less heralded County but sprang a major surprise last year by winning the John Player

Lague

Indeed they were 200 to one preseason outsiders but the youthful gusto of the wicketkeeper batsman Geoffrey Humpige and the left hander Andy Lloyd coupled with the consistency of John Whitehouse and Dilip Doshi accomplished what the book makers deemed impossible. This time Kent have the psychological advantige of playing at home but their rivals look a confident side with Bob Willis and Alvin Killicharr in back in good nick and Willie Hogg of I an eashire it inything bolstering the bowling

The John Player League has been in progress for four weeks although not all Counties have figured in four outings. At the moment. Sussex heads the table with two victories from their tour matches with the other two ending in no result due to rain. In this tourney a tie or a no result procures two points while four points are obtained for a win. This being the case. Sussex have twelve points to their credit and Essex not to be ignored have ten from three games Defending champions Warwickshire ire jointly in fourth position having mustered eight points from their three matches

The championship has thrown upsome pertinent individual feats and notably evictory for Nortinghamshire, which tool them 17 points clear of their closest challengers Middlesex in the race for the most prestigious title. They now have 54 points from five matches which is the same number as Middlesex have played.

Notts required just 91 runs for a triumph which became their second of the season. And this was ensured by an unbeaten 48 by opener Paul Todd, who in the first innings had recorded an

nvaluable 96

Actually Hemmings wa not the only slow bowler seen in prominence in the corresponding period. Robin Hobbs, the erstwhile Fisex leg spinner now with Glamorgan was among the wickets against Worcester shire as was Norman Gifford and the Last African Asian Dipak Patel in the latter unit. Vic. Marks and Dennis Breakwell of Somerset did well versus Sussex but not Dilip Doshi playing for Warwickshire and with a fracture in his right little finger against North amptonshire.

The pick of the bowling perform ances, however, was John Lever's who



with a largesse of ten for 134 in the match against Yorkshire at Heading ley proved that he was far from finished. The home side, of course wriggled out of the crisis primarily on the foundation of a heroic innings of 116 by debutant opener Martyn Moxon in the second innings. Indeed the "buzz" that generated at I eeds could be heard loud and clear all over the country, the message being "Here's

the new Boycott

Other notable batting exhibition included centuries by Paul Purker of Sussex and Mike Brearley of Middlesex (his first of the season and a polished demonstration). Good a Greenidge of Hampshire hit a characteristically sound 96 but none of the games with the exception of that Notts Gloucester the produced a result.

MIKE BREARLEY

THE momentum for a sporting boycott of South Africa built up largely as a result of the D Ohivera "affair" When Tom Cartwright drop ped out of the MCC team due to go there in 1969 Basil D Oliviera was given his place, following an uproar over his omission in the first place Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, declared that he would not be welcome in that country so the tour was called off

Next year, South Africa were due to tour England A campaign to call off the tour was mounted In the face of threats of disruption, artificial pitches were laid at the various Test match grounds, which were also guarded by dogs and lights After much debate the Government lent its moral support to the campaign (though not some of its methods), while insisting that the decision was in cricket as in other orts a matter for the sport's gov ining body Under pressure the Cricket Council called off the tour and the battlements were dismantled

Since then it has been the policy of the English cricket authorities to have no representative tours to or from South Africa until that country orga nises its cricket on non racial lines All the other cricketing countries now take the same attitude, and South Africa has been excluded from inter

national cricket

The response of the cricketers of South Africa to this isolation has been constructive-probably more so than in any other sport They have attemp ted to amalgamate into the old white governing body the two non white bodies (Unfortunately, there are still two rival bodies the "official" one the descendant of the old white bodyand one which is supported by many of the coloured and Asian cricketers. The latter believes that the former still acts mainly in the interests of the white cricketers)

Many clubs have become open to players of all races At national and provincial levels, cricket is integrated Some of these changes have been undertaken in the face of laws which were framed to prevent such liaisons Cricketers have taken risks to make their sport more equitable

However there are still laws which make non racial sport possible only by permission or according to the whims of the Government Pass laws, liquor laws and the Group Areas Act all make true integration difficult, to say the

least

Two white rugbs players were harassed because they joined a non white club in Port Elizabeth and were arrested on their way to a match because they did not have the appropriate travel permits. There is still a gulf of opportunity between whites and non whites in sport as in all else though this can no more be by itself a reason for exclusion than could



Asil lighal sets out for a rungle, wat, had by Gayaskar and Kirmani, he has played, alongside, South, Africana, without, any adverse side-effects

the inequalities of opportunity be tween Brahmins and Harijans in India Even at the lowest levels most school cricket is entirely segregated

ELSEWHERE some attitudes have hardened in 1976, an England schoolboys' team was due to visit the West Indies. The side which was announced early included three or four boys who had been on a school boys' tour of South Africa the previous vear Guyana and Jamaica decided to take a stand on the issue, and announced that these players would not be welcome.

As a result, the tour was limited to the other West Indian countries. This experience created some apprehension about the prospects for the full tours scheduled for 1980 and 1981. However a time went by there was less and less hint of the storm which broke in Guyana early this year. So yet il. Packer players who had to cently visited bouth Africa with Richle Benaud, were accepted in both Guyana and Jamue.

Guvana and Jamile (
Morcover England's cricket authorities felt that we had acted and would be seen to have acted in according with the Glene igles agreement a view shared by the Lorengia Office when it was consulted during the crisis.

By the time the term will elected for the 1951 tour, the risk to the tour seemed minimal. There wis no outery about selection, which included players who had visited South Africa. Lick man wis chosen is a reserve. He took the precaution of phoning Lord's to tell them that he had several South African stamps on his passport. He had in fact, played and coached in that country and in Rhodesia for several Finglish winters, and had married a Fouth African Lunderst and that enquiries were made, the outcome of which was that these visits were unlikely to pole problems.

Ironically when Bob Willis flew home for his knee operation at was to the militant country that his replacement was despatched. Jackman was admitted to Guyana without a question. For some days nothing happened. Then a story was printed in a magazine in Jamaica a thousand miles away revealing. Jackman's dubious past.

The Guyanese Government felt that these facts could not be ignored. The English manager was informed that Jackman could not stay in Guyana Quickly the whole team left for Barbados. The tour was in jeopardy and England asked for an assurance from the countries still due to be visited—Barbados, Antigua Monser rat and Jamaica—that the Intire party would be welcome.

No one knew how this request would be answered Perhaps unaccept able conditions would be laid down that would have led to the severing of cricket contacts between England and the West Indies It so, such contacts might have proved very difficult to renew and international schisms over South Africa would have been wide



ned further. Moreover, the West In dies exists is in entity only for sporting purposes, and that entity was now at risk.

After a deliving which Jamilea's Cabinet was consulted (a new Cabinet as the previous Teft wing Government had just been ousled) a joint communique was issued enabling the four to go she id but also insisting that the Gleneagles agreement be reexamined

One further development in this complex situation is the black list drawn up under United Nations auspices aimed at identifying and perhaps barring from international sport tainted sportsmen The intention is to extend the sporting isolation of South Africa from team games to include individual games and also to force individuals from either category who are felt to have their feet in both camps, to make up their minds

So, roughly that is how the land lies We are in dangerous territory littered with old and new mines Which way should we turn? What landmarks have we to go by?

The main touchstone for me is to remember how systematically South Africa still put down its black people and that porta in area in which the laws are still is allable to discriminate in insta them. South Africa is deserved the simbol of racialism. We should not underestimate or ignore the strength of black repugnance both inside that country (where there is a maindatory full sentence for publicly advocating, western boscotts), and abroad

Britain God knows is bid enough but it least discrimination is against our liws India has a pretty dreadful history of exploitation of and discrimination against the Harijans attitudes for which as in South Africa, religious and octal justification have been claimed but at least such discrimination is illegal in India. Efforts in Britain and India are being made to combat the paranoia and the attempts to fossilise privileges.

In my opinion there are two reasons why Britain should make a difference between South Africa on the one hand and totalitarian regimes of Right or Left on the other. Firetonly in South

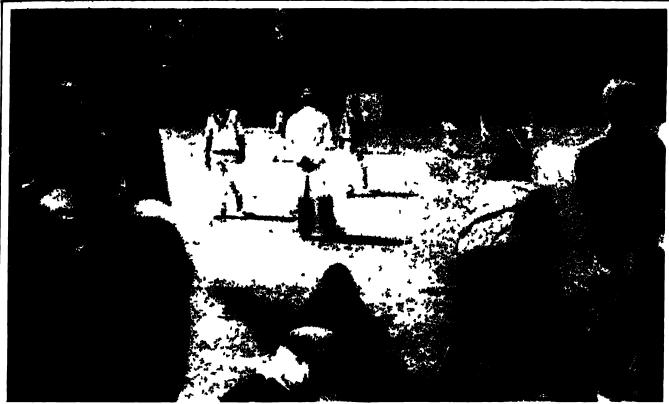


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A calculate, are pinting a hind Gary Sibe air a tim role taken in 1968. He was asked to stand in for West Indian actor Hal Frederick in the film if the investing equence is oversided such to play in Rhodesia some years ago raised quite a storm in the West Indies TWO GET ETET STATE

Africa has there been a systematic division on the ball of the unalterable ph tology of a large pair of the population when it comes to matters of sport. How far the has changed Imnot sure. Secondly, racratism is a liveproblem in the UK We are committed to a ociety in which ill race have a ! Fine chance and representative contact a Guy in Find elsewhere would have us with apartheid is in affront to our racid immoratie

A the incline we mult not the increase of the creaters and administrator have made toward processive change in South African cracket People like Mike Proceer and Vinteent Van Der Bill have personal by taken risk and courted unpopular ity. They have changed cricket more than a other sport It is not their at laws may still be used to prevent integration in sport. There may be little more that they can do Can the international cricket world do nothing to recognise these changes

Pethap but not to the extent of immediately reopening lest cricket ties with South Africa De pite the changes despite the illogiculity that sport be us the brunt of profest igninst ipirtheid despite the fact that politicains may make capital our of a militant attitude as no doubt Guy ina has done recently despite all this we should require more from South Africa. We must wait until the Government there purs an end to all torms of apartheid in sport which will require amendments to various liws

I think that clubs should be thrown open to members of all races. The moves that have been made have come in response to isolation. There may be I a trustrated reaction among the whites in South Africa to continued isolation but that cannot be helped. The issue is much larger than the personal one where we may admire and sympathise with Procter and others for their st and

But should we as some people in do go turther? The West Indies have made it clear that any of their nation als who go to South Africa to play or coach will not be elicible for selection (Would India and Pakistin take a similar line? Yours ugo Gary Sober was reprimanded for playing in Rhodesia (Opinion in the West Indies is no of course monolithic An article in a Barbados newspaper carlier this year said that Guyana's attitude was ludicrous, and that Sobers should have gone more often) Should England and Australia and New Zealand) tol low suit? Should the White coun tries threaten or warn individuals who go to South Africa to coach or carn some money in their profession?

My view is that our Board should with English cricketers that thriting with South Africa may put internation al cricket at risk. But I doubt whether even it they wished to they could go turther and I also doubt whether they should It is a bulwark of an open society that people should be allowed where possible to do as they wish They can be dissuaded even dis approved of but not prevented

Moreover, the demands of those who compile the black list are arbit rary. Tony Greig was allowed to go to all the cricketing countries only a few veirs ago. And on one interpretation of the Gleneagles agreement. Wayne Diniel say and Zaheer Abbas should be discouraged by their Governments from contact with their South African te im mates Van Der Bijl and Procter is should Clive Lloyd ind Viv Richards for being involved in competition with them in England Why draw the line at Jackman or at those who visit South Africa for sport?

Most of what I have written sounds rather negative. Is there nothing that could be done to acknowledge the changes made by South African crick ct and it the sime time to keep the momentum for change alive? I don't know But would it be unrealistic to consider a tour of South Africa by in international side composed largely of black or coloured cricketers a tour whose avowed intention would be to display to black and coloured cricke ters in South Africa their pride and their skills. Could we imagine a team containing players like I loyd and Richards Gavaskar and Kirmani Imr in and Asit Iqbal players of genius but of quite obvious pride in their own culture and background playing against multi-racial terms in South Africa

It appears to me unlikely that the Boards in these countries would be able to support such in idea and the individuals might be unwilling to be treated in South Africa as honorary whites But such a tour carefull planned and publics ed might do much more good than either of the ilternatives, continued total exclusion or a volte face by England with the result int chaos in the cricketing world

Robin Jackman: In the eye of the storm

SOME are born prominent some achieve it while others have prominence thrust on them Robin Jackman of Suricy and England tirmly fits into the last category.

On February 26 list Guyana s Im 1

migration Department served this medium picer—flown out as replace ment for Bob Willis—with a deportation order sparking off a week of unprecedented controversy in international cricket and projecting the fill then non lest player into worldwide focus. His crime in the eyes of the Guyinese Government was involvement in South African and Rhodesian cricket for the past cleven winters. The extraordinary step in fact came is a sequel to the British High Commissioner's refusal to accede to the request made by the host regime to expel the cricketer.

The interference with the formation of the England side being unacceptable to the Cricket Council in London the touring manager. Alm Smith was instructed to move his team out of Cuvana value he he did but

only as far as Barbados where after a suspenseful wait during negotiations between the West Indian Governments the Inglishmen were informed about the continuance of the visit but it the expense of the Georgetown Fest

Not surprisingly the uncertainty of the seven days was more excruciating for Jackman than any of his colleagues for he was overtaken by a ense of guilt - the unclisiness of being to ponsible for getting the others into an awkward situation. Indeed his feelings were clearly expressed when he remarked once the crisis was resolved. I am relieved and delighted not only for my ell but for the rest of the four parts.

In a vary the statement sums up the man an honest all able per on a spectful to elders and affection ate to those near and dear to him. I recall a





Forget the itchy, burning misery of prickly heat!





chat between him and the elderly Alan Gibson of the Times, who was sitting beside me in the Press box for one of last season's games when Jackman came up to him to solicit an article for the Brochure the latter is bringing out this year in connection with his benefit match What impressed me was the reverence shown by a top professional to a veteran journalist-quite a contrast from the cocky approach of to day's highly paid personalities

It was one of the concluding en counters of the 1980 calendar and the England team for the tour of the West Indies had already been announced—a list conspicuous for the omission of Jackman, who had emerged as the highest wicket taker in first class cricket in England with a bag of 121 wickets And when Gibson offered his sympathies on this count Jackman's was a very meaningful reply 'There are not many players in English crick et' he said, "who take one hundred wickets in a season and yet get over looked for national duty " He had no qualms about being quoted, so it spoke of rare courage in a man striving and not succeeding to gain Test hon

Boldness is often associated with armymen, and the fact is Jackman's father was stationed in India during the war with the British armed forces. which is when the current County pro was born-in Sunla on August 8, 1945 Of course, he was only eight months old when his family returned to Eng land, where he went to school in Canterbury

In terms of cricket, Jackman's has sen a slow climb to the top He made

his debut for Surrey as early as 1964, but it was not until 1970 that he won his cap His first liaison with apar theid" cricket occurred in the winter of 1971 72, when he rendered his ser vices to Western Province in the Cur rie Cup And the following season in the colours of Rhodesia versus Natal at Durban, he returned figures of eight for 40 in one innings which remains till date his best bowling feat in first class cricket Other than that during his days in Southern Africa he mei and fell in love with a girl there, who is now his wife and mother of two chil dren

South Africa is generally a haven for the also rans of English cricket Those who fail to make the England side for the winter tour or who cannot obtain a worthwhile contract in Au stralia during the off season--and it they are good enough—are found to accept offers from Currie Cup teams or as coaches in the region concerned and so, for a long while Jackman sort of languished in the backwaters of the game and it was only after he had picked up 93 wickets in the 1979 season that he became a topic of discussion for the England selectors Last year, this wicket taking ability, if anything, augmented itself and an expected windfall arrived in the shape of an appearance in the one day international with Australia at his home ground, The Oval In fact, bowling second change he obtained the first break, dismissing the opener Graeme Wood but otherwise not impressing much by conceding 46 runs. In the second encounter at Edgbaston, his efforts amounted to none for 45 and consequently the question of a look in | ASHIS RAY

However, many a critic felt that he should be given the green signal for the tour of the West Indies, but the nowers that be obviously disagreed Looking back on the decree Jackman remarks "I was disappointed but then disappointments are there in ev ers walk of life. It just made me work that bit harder But even when later despatched, Freddie Truman de scribed the move as 'preposterous'

for the Centenary Test did not arise

maintaining that Jackman was too old I had played my last Test around his age' Trueman insisted

Anyhow it was a notable maiden stint for the Surrey veteran as turning out in the Bridgetown Test, he grabbed three for 65 and two for 76 to emerge as the most successful English bowler in the match Ironically, after the fracas an injury prevented him from playing the fourth Test and it was also a somewhat undistinguished re-entry in the fifth

Discussing the trip, Jackman states "I still do not understand why they made all that fuss' Is he inclined to go and play in the Currie Cup again atter what happened in Guyana, 'I do not think that makes any difference I would say, of course, that the chances are very remote At present I have no plans or ambitions of playing another season of Currie Cup

What about making the England team for the visit to India later this year? "I am naturally hoping to go and will try to make sure in course of the summer that I am included in the

squad "





Wimbledon Scrapbook

Evonne Goolagong Cawley: Everybody's darling

It the lady in the high heeled sneak ters would only play till dawn we would gladly sit up with her watching Enthralled Entranced Encouraged to know that the Australian Jephyr is gusting gently vet grandly among us

again

You have to look very closely to detect the quarter inch build up in the heel of Evonne Goolagong's tennis shoes the shock absorbing protection for tender inkles and Achilles ten dons particularly of the left leg. The size eight shoes are specially con-structed to give her a lift though nothing compared to the lift-the high she provides us by depicting tennis as jos on the move

Icnnis waged by I vonne is not a war It is a natural phenomenon a breeze swooping to stir a cat tail, de vastating strokes produced by soft casual movements of hand as though tickling her baby Kelly, under the chin The smile that conquered the English and compelled them to baptise her Sunshine Supergirl glows once more, and the amused chuckle at one of her own mistakes is heard again

That is the happy news Mrs Roger Cawley better known as Evonne Fay Gool agong, is well along in her second comeback and could reach a pinnacle

in the winner's circle on Wimbledon's Centre Court Maybe Evonne would have been champion three years ago if she had been sound of leg and footbut she gave the champ Martina Nav ratilova a scary run for the money in their three set semi final

And now the news nobody warts to hear after having seen Evonne at play 'Ill only be around for a very short time. She cannot dance till diwn or so she says. Like that other high heeled dazzler in specialised pumps, Cindetella she teels midnight approaching She won't turn into a pumpkin Instead a mother for the second time which she feels now will mean end of career

Not very long 1go Goolagong was contented to think professional ten nis was over for her 'My injuries were getting on my nerves" It's hard to imagine anything doing that to Evon ne but as Billie Jean King points out Don't let that serene exterior fool you Evonne's a competitor and she gets as tense as the rest of us. It just doesn't show In that she's like Arthur Ashe '

'Right" says Evonne when King s view is repeated to her 'Right she is But I hate being half way physically And after Wimbledon where I'd just pushed myself to play that year despite the ankle and the (Achilles) tendon, I thought I didn't want any more of that

"So you either have a goal or you don't Feeling the way I did I didn't We were here at home" (Roger and Evonne's beach house at Port Royal, a resort community on Hilton Head Is land just off the South Carolina coast) "and it was lovely just relaxing with Roger and Kelly I couldn't play, so my mind was off I was contented I felt we'd settled into a nice family life. It would be more children and being a housewife Fine

'Yeah, fine, until my leg problems suddenly cleared up all the way in March the next year I found I was able to go flat out and not hurt I got the feeling I wanted to find out if I'm still competitive So I entered the Family Circle Cup, which was an easy way to get back in it, only a few miles away at Sea Pines and a very strong field I found,' she beams, I was still com petitive still enjoyed playing profes sional tennis very much

No more than the crowds at the customary opener of the women's out door season April 9 15, at Sea Pines Plantation relished Evonne's reap pearance Of course the Australian Zephyr was not bound to blow up a st irm after such a long layoff and on a slow clay court. But she made a few people feel as though they'd wandered into a wind tunnel before a disrespect ful juvenile named Tracy Austin stood up to her like a hurricane fence

Goolagong watchers were very en couraged "Forget the score," says Billie Jean King of Evonne's 60, 61 semi final loss to Tracy "I thought Evonne was great I wondered how she'd be Believe me, I know how tough it is to come back from injuries



phosing four matches in shales and three more in doubles, getting to the semis as both She bests three rough pros-Caroline Stoll, Renee Richards and Betty Stove That's a pretty stiff first week If she came through that all

right, then Evonne is back "
"Nothing went wrong," Goolagong says, "I was stiff in the legs and the rump, but nothing hurt So it's on to Europe and Wimbledon"

Everyone thought that her encoun ter with Navratilova in the Wimbledon semi final was her curtain call. The last we heard from Evonne Goolagong, prior to the Family Circle Cup, was a startling and pained "Oooooh!" It was the cry of a wounded woman, cleaving the silence of Centre Court and vir tually concluding an exciting battle between her, the champion of 1971 and Navratilova the champion to be She was playing Wimbledon on a wing and a needle. There had been tears and aches and cortisone shots and drainage of fluid from the inflamed sheath of the left Achilles tendon

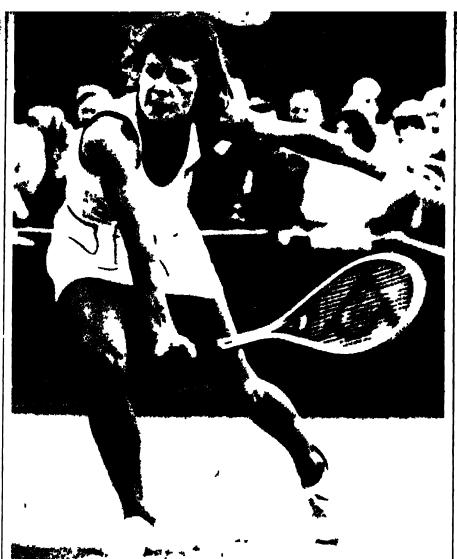
But the breakdown wasn't far off Lyonne won the first set of their semi 6.2 Martina the second 6.4 They were locked at three all in the stretch with Gool igong to serve. I was trying to protect the tendon. Evonne recalls, and not take any more steps than I had to But when I went for that ball I tore ligaments in my call. That's when I screamed I just couldn't help it Navratilova had banged a hall to the right and Evonne darted for it over taking the ball and pitching a sensation if lob at the instant the ligaments snapped Martina astonished by Evon nes wail along with 14 000 other witnesses in the enclosure, and recognising her opponent's obvious distress didn't chase the lob. It descended for a winner it game point and the umpire called the score 4.3 for Goolagong Martina argued justifiably for a let But no umpire was soing to rule is unst Goolagong in a questionable situation That's the sort of goodwill and devotion she has amassed unconsciously -just by being Evonne

However she was tinished, and Navratilosa to her own credit gave in to no maudlin concern for the victim Martina had to be all business now in a trying situation that called for sym pathy she could hardly afford. She had maintained a pressure that gave Goolagong no respite and she completed the job surgically by winning three straight games on a loss of four

points

"Everything was wrong then, Evonne smiles My leg was a mess Later, in November, I had a go in Tampa won one round and gave it away More rest In December I tried again in Tokyo because it was only a four woman But I wasn't right " About that time she decided she was content with domestic contentment

However, she also found a doctor "I was comfortable with for the first time" Dr John Marshall of New York, a specialist in athletic injuries Dr



Marshall told her something that sounds like heresy to the rest of us

I'm wrong from the knees down, she laughs. That's the way he put it. I was born with muscles that are too tight for the shape of my legs. He give me exercises to stretch the muscles and put me on a standing bike Sud denly I got better

Evonne began stretching and pedaling to nowhere at home-not knowing that it was the start of a journey to another Wimbiedon title and additional stature as the first mother to win at the Big W since Dorothea Douglas Lambert Chambers ın 1914

Nearing her thirtieth birthday Evonne is the same nimble insouciant spirit known as a child daredevil when she was growing up in the dusty fading sheep town of Barellan out in the New South Wales bush Then chasing pigeons, she would dash across narrow, perilous planking at the top of the town's towering grain elevator

Now she's back in business pur suing tennis balls that can be as elu sive if not so dangerous 'I found out on my first comeback after having Kelly," she says, "that I'm so much

more relaxed travelling with my family I m not lonely as I was in the early days And I understand professional tennis much more When I won Wimb ledon ten years ago I wasn't nearly as good as I am now It wasn t a fluke, but I was unaware of what I was doing. It wasn t until later that I realised I had heen so new It was only her second Wimbledon 'Now I realise how diffi cult it is I teel the pressures. Not then

Still Mrs Roger Cawley is more self assured casier going with outsid ers comfortable as a personage. Yet she retains the carefree lighthearted traits of the newborn zephyr darting, swooshing, captivating those she touches, dissipating the heat and sameness of the rectangular cauldron Her best tennis should be ahead her speed re affirmed to blend with surer ground strokes and the withering vol ley But how much further ahead will she illumine our courts as the most appealing tennis player of her genera tion?

She will not be playing Wimbledon this year because of another child One wonders whether-and hopes-she will return To win again



Awed by the crowds

Several village lads have made it to the big time in Calcutta soccer, but no one has been so bugged by one aspect of league tension says SARAJIT DEB of the newcomer to Mohun Bagan, SUJAS BERA

A PERITCE example of a village boy finding it difficult to adjust to the atmosphere of the city is Sujas kumar Bera Mohun Bigan's new link man. It's really hard to adjust to the cilcuits Maidan. I do not know why though I ve been trying desperately to find the root cause—he said.

Born on November 15, 1956 in Manackpur village in Midnapore district of West. Bengal. Sujas started plaving tootball from his early school days. He represented his school. Nandigram. B. M. P. Shiksha Niketan, and went on to play for Midnapore district. Luck was with him and his cousin, who is with Western Railway took him to Bombay ifter. his Matriculation, at I. Sujas found himself. a Railway employee in 1975.

Sujas impressed the coaches Arthur Gomes and An and Patran and wilked into the Western Rulway to im He was i regular member of the side and was ultimately chosen to represent the Indian Railways in the Coimbatore Nationals in 1979. He played yiell in the Nationals and was once as in called to the Railway camp that was held at Kharagpur a month before the Cutrack Nationals. Inder the able guidance of P. K. Banerjee Sujas played well in the last Nationals and was called for the first Asiad coaching camp.

His success story ends there He would very much like to go back to Rourkela and Cuttack where he played very well for the Railways forcing his coach P k Banerjee to say. Berat now what Gautam Sarkar was in 1972—perhaps the best midfield ball winner in the country. But after he pined his new club Mohun Bagan he has been nowhere near the form he displayed in the Nationals.

Sujas played for his club in the first match of the I ederation Cup against Oik is Mills I admit I played badly ind was replaced by Shyamda (Shyam Phapa) In the next two matches against Railway Football Club and Mafatlal, I was in slightly better form But I was nowhere near the perform ance I am capable of producing I



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worked hard that's about all In the semitimal and final I did not get a chance

I have played four matches in the Calcutta I eague but am yet to get to peak form. What is really disturbing me is that I cannot even pinpoint the reason why this is happening. I know it is difficult to believe but during the practice sessions. I play much better than during a match. I have not played in front of a huge crowd before but after going through my difficulties. I think the main problem is that the crowd is affecting me. How else can one explain the fact that during practice. I play quite well but cannot do so in the matches?

It is indeed a serious problem for this young man. When asked what steps he is taking to remove this crowd tension he told me. I have talked to the senior members of the team about this problem and they suggested that I watch the matches of the other two big teams. Fast Bengal and Mohammedan Sporting, so that I can get the feel of the crowd in Calcut ta I am following their advice and whenever these two teams play I go and watch their matches. I think it has helped me to a certain extent and I hope to play somewhat near the form I am capable of producing the next time I am given i chance

Though I have not yet played in the rain in Calcutta. I don't think I ll have much difficulty in slushy conditions because of my experience in Bombay I played for four years at the Cooperage where the conditions are similar but first and toremost I must get over this tension which has grip ped me But one thing I am sure about If Pradipda (P K Banerjee) had been here to guide and help me I would have got over it by now He has a way of helping his players and inspiring them at the right time in the correct manner This does not mean that my present coach Sankar Banerjee and the senior players are not helping me They are trying their best but in my heart I think Pradipda would have helped me more It's just a feeling Sujas said sadly Sujas is basically a detensive half and is good at tackling and admits that 'I am not a very good distributor but I used to cover it up by my defending abilities. Now however I seem to have lost even that touch

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I asked Gautam Sarkar his colleague and perhaps the best linkman in the country today about Sujas' abilities. He said I don't know what is wrong with him. He played so well in the last Nationals. We are encouraging him a lot and I have even told him that he will have to play well to survive. He is a very good tackler and is not at all shy in going for close tackles. His distribution needs to be improved but tirst, and foremost he must get over this unwarranted tension. After all he is young, has the potential and could be an asset to the team. He will have to play well for the welfare of the team."

Sujas daily routine starts with leaving his Chetla house the stays with his mother wife and a son) early in the morning and going to the Mohun Bagan ground for practice There's a lot of difference in the style of prac tice here and the style we followed in Western Railway There the hours were lonker but here a lot of import ance is given to pressure training I do not neglect my practice and have yet to miss a single day's practice session I do whatever my coach and senior players tell me and do it honestly, with all my heart. After the sweat wears off he goes to his office Bengal Im munity and every day in the evening he is it the Maidan—either in the club when a match is scheduled, or watch ing the other two big teams play. The late evening he spends with his family

Just like any other young man he loves sceing movies especially those starring Uttam Kumar and Amitabh Bichchin("But I m vet to see one after coming to Calcutta) and loves listening to folk songs. But behind everything is the thought of playing well for the club he really loves, Mohun Bagan It's been a childhood dream to play for this club "he says. But he will have to improve considerably if he is to realise the other dream—of carving a niche for himself in Calcutta's soccer land.

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On the surface, all is calm But inner rumblings have always been part and parcel of life on the Maidan Internal politics is the order of the day, with officials using every possible means to corner greater power SARAJIT DEB investigates what is going on in Mohun Bagan and East Bengal while SUBHASH SARCAR probes the affairs of Mohammedan Sporting

Mohun Bagan

The root cause of all the trouble that I takin place in ide the premier club of the country. Mohan Basin I finance out ther the lack of it. It i not a new problem because the club has been running it a los over the last few year. The procedure habeen to borrow money for the current season pay back the next season and ig in borrow for the next. At present the deficit is in the vicinity of Rs 8.5. Likhs.

If the club had enough money to keep its commitments perhaps the tift that had developed between the general secretary. Dhiron Dev. and a strint general secretary. Salen Mainta would not have surfaced Salen Mainta has dways and is still with the players. Being a great footballer himself he perhap considers it his duty to look after the benefits of the player. His views are very clear the players must be given their dues in tull and if the time they are promised.

All very good but what if the club is not in 1 fm includ position to give the money it the specified time. It is felt in ome quarters that Sailen Mainle is the assistance secretary, should be aware of the club's fm includ position and should act accordingly. Dhren Dev want, to restrict the amount that is being given to the players in order to repay some of the amount owed to individuals who had lent the money when the club needed it.

The difference of opinion between the two urfaced seriously for the first time after the August 16 incident last year. The club tocing the line of the Government and trying to maintain a fairplay amage had penalised their player Bidesh Bose, even before the League, sub-committee, had taken a decision on the incident. While Dhiren Dev was all for punishment Sailen Mainta stood by Bidesh and himself staged a protest in front of the West Beng 1. As embly

Another incident that brought to light the difference of opinion be tween these two wis the desertion of the Asiad coaching camp. In the absence of Sailen Manna, the executive committee members of the club took a

decision to su pend the eight players of their club who had left the cump Acum Manna tood for the players and ultimately had the final say when at a subsequent meeting the suspension was lifted. Some of the men bers were convinced that the decision they had taken earlier was rather hasty and unwise. But it was Salen Manna who had the last laugh.

Basically it is an ego clash, the case of two ains in one sky. And yet at is



Dhiren Dev--a good aim nistrator

difficult to imagine one without the other Both have their plu point While Dhiren Dev has the capacity and the access to bigwigs that matter Sulen Manna can claim that whenever inything goes wrong in the club it is he who faces the public Perhaps their point of frustration reached its peak itter the Bidesh incident when I public representation took place in front of our office (Ananda Bazar Patrika) ind Dhiren Dev thought that the whole incident was instigated by Sulen Manna He had his reasons because it shout the same time post ers were put up at the club stating Sailen Mann i undabad Dhiren Dey murdahad Dhiren Dev it is reported spoke to the club president. Umapati Kumar who in turn spoke to Sailen Manna It is learnt that Sailen Manna igreed to remove the posters. In this case one had to add two and two!

Opinions vary about the present situation. While some people think

they have made up because the both know they are individually no apable of winning the elections (due at the end of the veriable without do of it they fought jointly as they have been doing over the veriable of their but other say that they have not verp us hed up their differences and might be tighting the elections against each other and both are thinking or have already approached the leader of the opposition in the club CM Roy One thing is certain Asian administrator Direction.

All the club in the Madin live and breather football. Mohan Bagan is no exception. The main source of revenue to the renewal of the members renew their eards because the want to see the tootball matche. But this section to not running too smooth by It is a divided house. Whenever the players are in need of anything they to to Sallen Manna When it a square tion of money it a reported they look up to Rajat. Chakrayarty. The football secretary. Rayart has a practicall become a non-entit.

Right Children arty is maintene time man Though a lot of people sugget that he is connected with an invest ment company which is egine through a lot of trouble at present the demosit iltogether. I have nothing to do with Sancharta I am just a manager of Anirban Chit Fund. Beades I have a iew properties. Just because my maternal uncle is with Sanchaita they have linked me with it Right from av childhood. I have loved Mohun basan. and after I become a member of the club I have tried to help it to the be t of my ability Last year I helped the club by getting a few donations. But the club does not owe me in thing Everything has been clouded last veir I was colopted in the footbill section but this year I have kept out of everything I just come to witch the matches that's all I treat all the players like my younger brothers and they also respect me

Rajat Chakravarty was made a life member of the club some three or four years back it is learnt by Sailen Main na But he realised soon enough that in order to be a somebody in the club would have to spend money. It is



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eported he give (or is he put it helped the club in getting) in the rimity of Rs 2.3 likh list on He it ore dised that in order to get the amount he yould have to keep Dhiren be in good humour. It is all that the hide transction of the players took like at the Scienaria office it eltters the players yet at encerthiate in tend of each

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MOMING to the financial a pect of a Competence in mean and detect of the control of the I Solikh one can a it i in the feldrum. In the ear before last it a R Slikh but let en Godd sex member were taken and the donation came to R 5 likh To become a member of the club at a illexed one has to donate about R 5,000. When any in titution spends R. 16 lakhs with an a sured racome of R. Slikh at a bound to run into trouble How is the amount being managed An idvince of R - likh his been taken from the Co-mo tund (thi tund is formed with the money that came when Cosmo Club with Pele played in Cilcutta in 1977) and mother Rs 25 odd 14khs ha come a advince from members. Thinks have come to uch apass that the appliers bills us kept outstanding and players contricts are not being fulfilled being forwarded from one year to the next

There are grievinees from many quarters. I spoke to Prinab Ganguly on explayer who was with the club till 1974. He had a lot to say 'We explayers are not being treated well. When we ask for a compliment are and we are told to contact Mannada who says he doesn't have any It is a victous circle. We do not get the recognition or respect that is our due. I,

personally get some money from the club, and since I knew the club was not in a financial position to give it back. I had told the officials to adjust the amount by giving me in ordinary membership (Rs 5 000 odd) and a life membership (Rs 10 000 odd). But the told me no new member are being taken But I know Rajat Chakravats had idjusted his amount in the same way by getting member hips. And we Thave he und he has given eight or nine complimentary cards to Taltola Clab So the people who in always at the beek and call of the top official are receiving tivours. Even those in the committee who have aren a loan to the club are getting there aim back But outsiders are not being con a dered Do you know that I mus Post with his sed when he went to set he membership card renewed. They and that his specimen agreature the same. The is reall timed

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member played his part. It was team work with some people helping more than the other

A regular figure on the ground these days is Subir Chosh younger brother of the secretary. Though he holds no position and a not even in the executive committee it is learnt that he slowly but surely becoming a big wig of the club. He was a prominent figure in the Sixties especially when it come to recruiting player. But over the list few veirs nothing much had been heard about him (in the club) but suddenly he came into the picture before the elections. He helped his brother in the elections and is gradual. ly coming into prominence. Some of the members hold the view that he is purposely being brought into the lime light to check the progress of the AGS Another way of putting it is that he is being used by member of other groups inside the committee to corner the Froup he ided by the AGS. How far the illegation is true is very difficult to Lauge But one thing is certain a section of the club members are irritated by the fact that Subir Ghosh is comme into the limelight the main reason being his business activities About the reconcinct of Subir Ghoth the secretar ver candidly inswered. Any member can come and it up to be member themselves to decide whether they want to be a part of the clib or not. Just because he happens to be my brother at does not me in I have brought him to the ground

The election itself was unique. In a vers broad sense four groups formed a coalition and successfully fought the elections. But inside this conlition is war went on each group trying to collect the maximum number of ballot papers, so that they could bargain for seats in the executive committee and jockey in for important positions. It did not end there Within these broups members tought amongst themselves to get as many ballots as possible in their own personal capacitics so that each of them could get a coveted post. An example of two people will illustrate the point - the former tootball secretary Paresh Saha and the present secretary Prisanta Ghosh Both are in a broad sense in the Gyan Kar group who himself holds the important accountant's post. Prasanta Ghosh is said to have won the tice for the football secretariship when he deposited in the vicinity of 500 ballots on the opening day itself. Piresh Saha could muster only 300 odd ind had to be satisfied with being an ordinary executive committee member.

 $\mathbf{T}^{\mathsf{HFRL}}$ has been at least one major change without the knowledge of the whole executive committee. This relates to the seasonal membership for women. It has been the practice of the club to ofter se ison il caids for women They would have no voting rights and the figure would usually vary between 10 and 15 heads each season. Usually the same women used to renew their cards for another season. Their renew il charges were the same as that for reneral members no donation being sought from them because they were not being given the rights that other member enjoyed list year the reneval fee was Rs 125. This year at has been increased to Rs. 185 for the ordin its members. But for the season



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al members the sum was increased from Rs 125 to Rs 300. This important decision was not taken at any executive committee meeting and most of the committee members are ignor into twhen where and how this sum was increased. A few women members (of course seasonal) protested against this discrimination. The response from the officials was to say the least ungentlem inly. Those who protested were not even given the chance to renew their cards even at the rate of Rs 300. But a few other women have come forward and are getting their cards at the new rate.

Another serious allegation against the club is about 18 wooden planks worth about Rs 1200 which were removed from the Press box that is now being renovated at the East Bengal ground. The contractor has reported the matter to the club authorities but nothing has been done about

THI groupism factor is very much predominant in the East Bengal club It is learnt from sources that

three groups, headed respectively by Nishith Ghosh Gyan Kar and Haripa da Das (treasurer) have come together allegedly to destroy the Arun Bhatticharya group. This group is said to comprise followers of J. C. Guha who was undoubtedly one of the finest idministrator on the Calcutri Maid in As. J. C. Guha had once said. Hardly any of the executive committee members have a basic knowledge.

Hardly any of the executive committee members have a basic knowledge of the game. The club is no yerowded with business men who e only interest is to utilise the club for their own benefit. They try to stay in power by hook or by crook so that they can satisfy income tax officers and other influential men by giving them tickets and club membership form. Well at this is true, the ultimate and the only loser is none other than the club itself.

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There is a weighth it money talks Liftin Randers in did at that He took over with good intention, and even included in his committee people who had been at the helm of affine before he made he appearance. However, after the Tederation Cup in Calcutte they begin to tighten their grip discarding the more experienced officials and replacing them with their own men on the pinel. There was a strong undercurrent and the feeling infaced that democratic norm, were being thrown iside making as for dicta torship

This indeed left a bad taste in the mouth of a few loval members but one should not lose sight of the fact that fat in R indeath was draining his own coffer. It is understood that he has spent no less than about eight lakks of supcess from his own pocket. According to an insider. He is being emotionally



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Things could conceivably take a turn for the worse unless Mr Rande imper on ally takes control of the tuation. When he first came to power he squandered his money to get the clab back on its feet a landable state of after indeed but it should be reflied that the club, turned must be carefully planned and controlled. How long will he be able to continue in incing the club?

The club cannot be allowed to bank on individual patrons alone and Mr | Kanderian his been cautioned several time on the score. At the moment at a patroned that the club cotter are ampty with the result that the president as repeatedly approached to

make up the deficit

It is also cener by felt officials both past and present, that the attitudes of Arshad Sugal Suada Parve and a few others have only spread discontent. Club, affairs, in general entre around particularly the two sho ar lart an Randearan contidiants. He places given importance on their idvice and have real authorithm them but one current line of thought is have the president ever made in effort to disover what is really going on inside the laboration.

Because his henchmen behave in a dictatorial manner many people at is learnt now tay aloof while other have taken the extreme step and resigned. A pertinent question is. Why did former general secretary Dr. Ratique Ahmed leave? Was he isked to or did he do so of his own free will. Helt on my own accord in spite of the president having requested me to continue for inother year. I really could not devote sufficient time to the club because of my profession.

And what about football ecretary lighal Ahmed. This person who has given so much to the club is a mere figurehead now. It was all the more humiliating for him when he was over looked in favour of Md. Idrish—the hockey secretary—for the post of man ager of the football team to knockout tournaments. It is common knowledge among Calcutta's football fraternity that Hyder Ali Nusker a former assis.

tant secretary, now holds the post of an assistant ground secretary with a non-entity in Tayah Mi as his superior. This season there are hardly involticials to be cen around although last year there was feverish activity with officials swarming all over the club flod of depression envelops the tent-like a shroud and the dangerous thing is that this has perme atted down to the players as well

Other ispects of the club's constitution are being flouted it is learnt Strange though it might seem the 25 member panel now has two extras-Then again although the specifically mention that the club shall have only four vice presidents at is gathered that there are now five. Is the presi dent aware of this? Previously the mess wir run by the club but the players now have total control. Unles-Mr Rinderi in stems the rot now he will be tacing a lot of problems in the near future. One line of thought is that he know what is happening but ha not taken any action because of his love for the club and sport. However, it must be admitted that his initiative he indeed brought the club clot of glory. He has brought Mohammed in S. C both the learner and knock out crick et titles and give Simbarin Banerjee and he bo's a senerous amount to celebrate the occasion just to give an example of a gem of a man that he is

It has been not ced for quite some time that the president has been tiving iway from the club. One won ders whether it is because of his business or whether the expenses are proving too high. It is gathered in cricket ing circles, that his two unite cricket tournament is the Shee h Mahal Iro phy it I ucknow. He did not take his Gulabi XI there the time because he did not want to risk draining mother takerine impount of R 15 likh. Even the attluent general secretary Michael Hague we very realistic in his approach when he took charge. He suggeted that ance the are empty determined club cotter effort should be made to fill it. He opined that there was no reason to build a very strong side ince this required a lot of money. It is under stood that he preferred a mediocre term so that less money could have been spent and special efforts directed to increase the club member hip by extending the member stands. A coodplan no doubt as it would en ure a certain amount of financial tability which would help the club immen elv-This will also eliminate the necesarty of the club looking out for pitron The pity of it is that no one paid heed to his advice thus fir

The communication gip between the players and the president which it is learnt as being created by Mr Randerian's confidents has left the players insecure. This seems all the more surprising in view of the fact that it was the president himself who told the players in his office, the venue where all decisions are taken—that he would look into their gray inces, and help settle them. It is gathered that he



now words placers who come to his office. It is further illeged that parments are not being made in time. The point was driven home by dreon tented hockey player who were ready to leave the club but who altimately tived home. All this only possito prove that without latin Randerian the club will probably be in due straits. But you can vet to ome latitude tood that the club will health be friend, a terrible financial crisis when the time come, for the placer to be compensated.

The correspondent on hit the president supmion on the present state of all in south of the city on business at the time of coing to press

Hovever according to the club of raint general secretar. Arshad Sugal I think think has emproved mee we took over Ashad verse have got back ome of our later to the we did well in hocke though a fain hed runner up in both the league and Beighton Cup We are crioual think major getting a rood hocke and later I won't disclose any name no. We did extremel a claim arraket and while the too We have done reach on the well in football. We have a crood team and hould do all the cason at the result of the Sampe Candin Cold Cup. Stafford Cup. and heder ation Cup. are any indication.

The rumon that we treat must be recent out tation place in a tail back. This is the farther been pread be out rivid. We has peculiate connocal talent Retaining out to tron place has become a healthche especially financially. There is no earlier of defice of disloyalty on the part of place both side are happy place and official. You can a bin a cur happy to the end we must continue plasing our part, concluded Sagal.

Yet the supporter known well that Mr Randerian is the man behind the club's successible is known that should anothing to wren. Mohammed in Sporting all the back to square one and again has the claim before the storm. One hopes the storm blow was to

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CALCUTTA LEAGUE

Yet another hat-trick

Xavier Pius playing his first match of the League got a hat-trick for Mohun Bagan but his team conceded goals in both their matches East Bengal continued notching up large margins of victory while Mohammedan Sporting played inconsistently SUBHASH SAR-CAR and SARAJIT DEB report on the matches





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ling and they were all over us. A rotal transformation to deplace in the Last Beneal side and at looked as it they really meant burnes.

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'N the second match of the week Light tollyconge Agragami the sime story we repetted I ist Bengal forced to score in the first half but that was mainly due to ome uperb go alkeeping by Sumit Mukherjee' the 17 ve ir old school student Another factor that played an important part was that Khabazi who was being tried after a long livoff fuled to click with the terms. His replacement Somenath Binerice justified his substitution by getting the first goal for his side midway through the second half. Jamshid had headed down a Premnath Philip centre for Somenith

In the last 15 minutes Fast Bengal added three more to their tally through Majid (2) and Jamshid Jam shid got thesecondgoal heading in a Monoringin Bhattacharya free kick Mand's first (Fast Bengal's third) was an ordinary iff in when compared to the last goal of the day. It was an example of perfect co ordination and precision. He got a Monor injan free kick and volleyed it in in one motion

The half line was found a little



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on mere precills in the force high Pu the attrict to a Ct Schlarm who a dome dut of the A and Camp lent me olicht to the defence Coach Sinto Nation and in the perform incoct the team and both matche t lose other impattern Lthink the place lended as take the stand creat in the roal hen they of the more placed quite More Representation Punction ce inditte he to morniked in the erd holf. On they of then firt onced incre on terrin M. rodkeeper product, well ind b the defence you also tight full the first ed Thombyedid natjet my por tre chance a tried to make ome move and were note tulto exertan extent in the first help

MOHAMMEDAN SPORTING ITYING to idept a trene which does not suit a term could very cill prove tatal. That mere ence is the tery of lowly placed. It is SC in unit, the star midded I Mehammed in Sporting side. I ench fore the But is ide could set le do in they were out of their depth said. But is couch Burun Bunerpee. I placed veter in Tajimo. Dutta is a weeper because of the soft ground but the tranegy did not click. The defence created a lot of gaps and Pracintal bunerpee scored because of one of the clapses.

The fact remains that Mohammed in SCs poradic raids on the Bata citadeless edenough pressure for the latter to case in In the fifth minute.

Pri inta Banerice sa isping left footer in the thick of a melec following a tlag kick found the Bit i custodi in Sekh ii Silva spreade igled. Another goal tol. lowed six minutes later via a wonder tal piece of opportunism by Balar Mukherjee who e first appearance in the wink back position created a ta our ible impression Swittle moving Akbar utilized the low cross with a neit tip Thereafter the home team tended to relax and must have realised four minute before the breather that they needed to con-olidate their polit tion. I ip in Dashe ided home the third goal off a Manash Bhattacharya flier but one telt that a little more exertion by the Bit's goalkeeper could have saved the situat in

The second half saw a better display by Bata. I was quite satisfied with my boy performance in this half. This was because of the changed strategy which allowed them to play their original game. I had to substitute I anmoy Dutta at resumption in order to strengthen the attack and to some extent they did penetrate the rival defence. Said the Bata coach Striker Sakti Mitra played an attacking game and beat both the central defenders once but that was all.

Tike Bilii Mukherjee Ary in s Simirin Sihi ilso made his first appearince in place of skipper Moidul Islim and did not perform bidly it ill But the crowd did become irritited when Akbar was substituted by the tlabby Ranjit Mukherjee—he will have to reduce it he is to perform well— and no goals were being scored. I understand that we cannot do with out Akbar — said coach Sattar adding

To be trank there is a big difference between him and the other players. I had to reat him because he has a pain on the che t and I cannot take any risks before the big match against Mohun Bugan. My deep defenders per formed much better today. In fact there was a proper understanding unong them. There were practically no detence lapse But there was a very invious moment in store for goal keeper Bhaskar Ganguly in the 30th minute when Pradip Ghosh moved down the flank and sent a long range hot which hit the crosspicce after Bhaskar had left it done thinking it would go over. Prisanta who opened the home account closed it too when he ent in crising shot off Manash He missed his third personal goal in the closing stages. His presence really makes all the difference!

Till blick ind white shirt—hould think Will A Cytor then—1 act its over the latter because their rival did not repeat list ven—tory of leaving the field. Stud one Will official. Had we done that I done think the leaving would have been completed. Just because the could not perform the crowd began to contain writh on us. This has often been the case whenever a junior ade does well. Mohammed in S.C. should be at ateful that we continued to play till the end otherwise they would have had to bee the Chief Mini ter.

THE hot topic of discus sion on the Maidan over the last ten weeks has been the proposed tour of Scoul by the Indian team A lot of water has flown under the bridge since the tour was first mouted During the last Nationals it was decided that a team would be sent for the President's Cup but at that time the All India Football Federation officials had not even been assured of an invitation

Before the proposed tour of Seoul the Indian team was supposed to go to Dacca but even this was cancelled and the first Asiad coaching camp was subsequently dissolved After the Federation Cup the second camp was cal led at Barrackpore and the players were more or less assured that the Scoul trip would take place. But these players have not learnt to read the minds of the AIFI bigwigs Not once did the latter let it be known that the whole Scoul trip was a hoax They kept insisting that negotiations were under wa ind that the official invitation was expected any dav

Maidan musings

The players at the camp! participated in two exhibition matches one at Patha and mother at Barrack pore and cach player tried his best to impress the coaches, with an eye to a berth in the Seoul te im At one stage it was even announced that every thing had been settled and the trip was on But then it was suddenly announced that negotiations have fallen through and that the trip had been cancelled When it was never on in the first place how then was it cancelled'

After this was announced the Big Three teams started showing an interest in those players who were in the camp All three to ims were affected perhap Mohun Bagan most of all because three of their strikers. X wier Pius Biswajit Bhat tach us a and Arup Das were in the camp Thinks had come to such a stage that the Mohun Bagan coach Sankar Banetjee had no substitutes in the

torward line. The East Bengal story was no bet ter Veteran Sudhir Kar makar was being made to play as a stopper so it was obvious that they were in xious to get Sekhar in back from the camp Shabbir Alı the Mohammedan Sporting striker was another key player of his team who was in the camp

From the officials to the supporters everyone waited to sec when the players would be released from the camp. More so-Mohun Bagan and Moham medan Sporting as both were scheduled to moet VEIV SOON A rumour g uned ground that they would be rule used on Tune 4 but no one was sure. It was eventually announced formally that the players would be released on Junc 1 and allowed to play from that day itself which in tact they did

What it boils down is that the club office ils and supporters are very happy that their players are back and will be able to assist

their teams in the League matches So club prioritie do indeed come before the country

The AILE selectors have chosen 25 players and no one knows for sure where they will be sent The outstatu n players be fore leaving for their homes visited the grounds and watched the perform ance of the big teams set ting a feel of the crowd and the tension that prevals in Cilcutti

Sevele riding site on Tthe roads of Calcutta? Some Fast Bengal officials are doubtful about this but Lareed the young player from Andhra Pradesh who joined the side this ve it has a passion for cycles. He has bought himself a new sports evele and he intends riding it in Calcur ta He even wants to come to practice session on it all the way from Bally Lunge about seven to eight kilometres from the Maid in Officials ire wor ried about his safety think ing that there might be in iccident but fireed it It s absolutely safe f have no problems riding it in Calcutta



Some of the players who were released from the Asiad camp watching a Leaque match. From left: Amold, Brahmanand. Bapbat. Baburao and Parminder

It is a fact that the black and whites do not appear to be at case against Wire In fact it was the junior team which went down in the very first minute giving the impression that they would be slaughtered Speedy Manash Bhattachary i raced down the Hink and entered the box but wing back Dipten Bhowmick clutched onto hi hirt ind referce Bhola Dutta un he it itingly pointed to the dreaded pot It vi Manish himself who placed the bill inside the net. The referee was too harsh on this count. He add have awarded in indirect kick ad War coach Amil Chakraborty car that coul did not seem to di hear on the Warabo at all and they went al out for the equaliser. This ploy paid n idend, and the crowd reacted in hacked di belief when the goal came on rimute. Liter Stopper Rimen. reuticher etumbled in eleuing e all out ide the box pu hing it weakly it id An onru hin, Rupal Guha of plans the ball in the far ruer of the net while cu todi in Bh inear all leoled on helple



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Mchammed in S. C. p. t could not trike term despite the inclusion of Shabbit Ali who cored the match someroff (Bide h b) colob midway through the could half and debut int Kartick Seth after the A rid camp. The home team mas ed a number of chance, with Bidesh Leang the vorst offender. Reali ing that the peeds winter was not pro ing his worth Mohammed in S. C. coach Sat. tir is we observed from the Press box winted to substitute Bidesh with Denis William on The latter vis wirning up when all of a sudden a member ardered Sittir to illow Bide hat continue. How is it that a member has the audacaty to in truct the coach. Not onlow is this unbecoming it will humiliating too.

MOHUN BAGAN Gradually coming into their element. Mohun Bagan won comfortably against. Police Athletic Club, but not before they conceded their third goal of the Leigue. They scored three goals in the first half and then tended to tik, things easy after the breather. Mids is through the first half Dipak Binerjee, the new linkman initiated a move give the ball to Mihir Bose who passed it to Surajit Sengupta.

who hit the net with a grounder I laganathan converted a Mihir pass to set the second goal and Md. Habib a Compton Dutta centre for the third goal.

But the best goal of the day came from Partha Bose, whose beautiful voile from the top of the box dipped in at the last moment giving Mohun Bagin custodian Shivaji Banerjee no chance at all. I do not blame my players for letting in that goal, It was a very good shot, and the main thing is that he hat it when it vas least expected a said Mohun Bagin coach Sankar Banerjee. About the performance of his own team he said. There is a definite improvement in the adeand it is slowly actume into stride

In the first half the defence wi hadly to ted and so Cautim Bhat tichi yi from Mifatlil Bombiy wis tried in place of captain Pradip Chowdhury But Gautam tailed to impress on his maiden appearance in Calcutta-In the half line Dipak Banerjee played better than he had in the last match He is lowly improving He took every good shot which beat the Police custo dian but which hit the crosspiece. In the forward line. Surrent was the most effective though he worked the least Whenever he got the boll he pelt dinier Both stillers Mibir and Shyim Thip i had in off Jiv and the other winger Urga was also found wanting on several occasion

Police couch Munish Surk ar admitted that me trategy mistired in the first half. I played in the 43% formation but the halve laded but in the second half we played in the normal 424 formation and this worked well for my team. We tried our bettin the econd half and got a koal. We did not let the 03 deficit get on tope of us.



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THE functioning of the Mohan Pic in ters and me changed for the better with the introduction of X i ter Lius who was in the A fad coaching camp. He helped distribute the ball and the created gap in the Benkal Napur Railway detence the ilso had the itt faction of coring the exons econd hat trick. Of cour e Xivier in t goal was more Suraju Sengapta than his Ir would have been difficult to miss that opportunity.

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Navier changed the complexion of the team. The forward line played better Although Gautam was not fully fit he had to be tried. Unless you play matches you cannot revert to a fully fit state," said. Sankar Banerjee BNR coach. Debu. Ghosh said. "We held territorial supremacy for some time but failed to create enough chances. The goals were let in due to lick of judgment more than anything else.

PICS NIKHIL BHATTACHARYA



News round-up

Usha must get treatment abroad

IRIV ANDRUM It was during the Into a State Athletic Championships in I migilore's Kintheer ee'r Stadium. In has sprint queen P. I. Usha who Ticked 11 Seconds in the 100 m at a hatell unconscious on the track doring her 400 m event. Since then he has been along with the result hat she had to miss the Open Athle tic. Most it Delhi and the recent worth A van Athletic competition at I be But he clumes that he has no phasical disturbance while running smetheles he teel fatigued chest r un stomach iche ind dizzine - itter charice for precaution its measures thewarth tadmitted into the Caliut Medical College, but the doctor the reader of the printer to coto the all Indvaling rate coff Medical Science e. Delhi for further treatment I enout the capit. I the imptorm ere repeated during reinning tint he indithat cyablet shiele is proribed for normalication, victorial because exercipan The discre vever remains any tere a the MIMS dector too creamable to capeant the exact trouble. Therefore ที่ไทยกา Protest Cardioloc แล cred that he hould be entable al or cle trophy jolorical therapy

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to recommend to the Centre a grant for the sprint queen sitte atment ibro idi

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Junior hockey in MP

JABAIPUR Mr M I Cambhara one hockey secretary y hoplay, with the boy and guls every evening to keep himself fit. This also helps in giving him in idea of each individual strength and weakness Recently he told Sportsworld After Madhy is Pride h sout tinding performance in the Junior National Hocke. Champion hip this car one cannot as that our actory over challenger. Man purvicitle him the pin We have tremendon, hockey potential in the tribal belts of the State. It om ht to be noted that we won the All India Rural Hockey title in 1979, while this carwe reached the quarter in the Junior National only because hocker is being played throughout the lear in he interior di trict. The actori ai-1.79 rural licekes team i mpar edi place from Jahpurna a in Ada a a tich der Rucich dierret Combbin certed idding but it is in their cuchine comp. We fould to proand income that the union in India combined with the entar. Incomparithe Sate Confirment Learning of a hald reclume importall.

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Puniab's rich haul

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Bob Hope (right)
takes on welter weight
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Rooney (centre) looks
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Former England cricketers "take the field" prior to the series of 40-over charity games. Here Denis Compton is stumped by Godfrey Evans. The bowler is Fred Trueman, while Derek Richardson, John Fdrich and Fred Litmus are the fielders.





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Sebastian Coe with his book "Running Free", copies of which he was autographing tor shoppers at Harrods



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CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Health tripled to Test debut century

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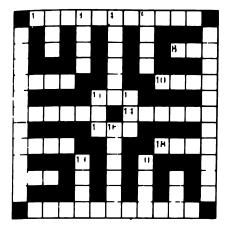
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ACROSS

- 1 The Bucharest Buffoon (4-7)
- 4 Governs amateur boxing (1-1-1)
- Geoff cannot cope with this cricketer (4)
- 10 Batsman's nightmare (4)
- 11 Nandkishore's team (1 1 1)
- 14 Antic played hockey for India at the Rome Olympics (6)
- 14 Tornado Fats (1 5)
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- 17 North American Societ League (1-1
- 19 Bide by this cricketer (4)
- 1 Ex Indian off spinner's initials (1 1
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- 11 Governs Bengal Hockey (1 1 1)
- 1. Supporter drives air (3)
- 16 Blob (6)
- 14 Inventor used in boxing (4)
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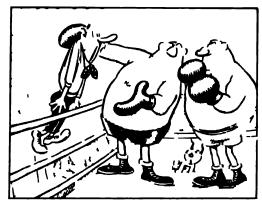
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- 6 How is walking distinguished from run ning for the purposes of a walking race?

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Ashok Bhatt Mangalore

Q Why the last day's play in cricket starts

half an hour early?

A To enable the bowlers to complete the mandatory overs of the last hour play before it gets dark

Sanjay Mitra Calcutta

O His many Tests did India play win lose and draw in the decade 1971 to j 1980

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N N Tiwari Chalbasa

Q What is the lowest margin of victory in Tests? Who achieved it and against whom?

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Q Who was Chandrasekhar's first victim how did he claim it?

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K Chatterjee Uttarpara

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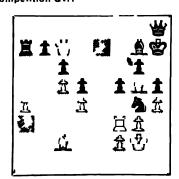
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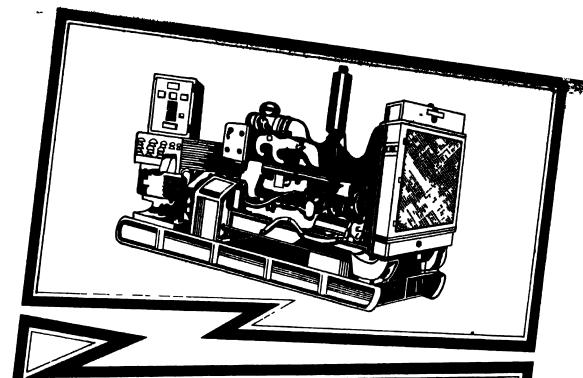
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Letters to the Editor

Bad taste

ARIJIT SEN'S article
"1982 Asiad The Delhi Development Games left a bad taste in the mouth It seems that the opposition parties, particularly Lok Dal, are out to kill sports in the country Mr Vijay Kumar Malhotra's state ment that the Asiad had been reduced to a Govern ment Games, is ridiculous What else? Does he believe that an individual could run such a massive affair as the Asiad / That would require a Samson or a Goliathi

Mr George Fernandes talks about people starving in Rayalseema the absence of drinking water in vil lages et al But why should that hold back the staging of the Asiad' Poverty hunger etc are nothing new in India and if events of mass enter tainment value like the Asian Games are to be stopped for these reasons then Mr Fernandes I teel that we should make a beginning by asking your Lok Dal heroes to go and destroy all the movie halls and theatres in the country. He has also said that the staging of the Games will put back all de velopment work by years. If the construction of an indoor air conditioned swim ming pool an indoor sta dium with a seiting capac ity of 25 000 a main sta dium with a seiting capic ity of 75 000 seven flyovers and a few hotels in the capital city of the country puts back all development work then, Mr Fernandes I am sorry to say that you reed to look up the diction ary for a proper meaning of the word development

He is further quoted as saying that many man hours are lost every time a cricket match is broadcast. I would like to ask him whether he has even cared to calculate as to how many man hours are lost every time Hindi film songs are broadcast. He feels that cricket should be stopped as there is no mass involvement Probably he does not know that lest matches draw the largest crowds in India and I am sure no one goes to a cricket ground to see the faces around

It is really disgusting to note that when the country is making sincere prepara tions for holding the Asian Games, a few anti social ele ments are going all out to make the Games a non event But let these ele ments be warned that the sportslovers of the country will not tolerate their whims and pranks and will do excrything within their means to prevent such evil designs trom materialising

ASHOR DUTTA Shillong

WHAll VLR Gorge Fer nandes sincere doubts ab out the usefulness of the Asian Games I cannot help feeling that the mere fact that India is willing to try to stage them shows a kind of courage that descrives the sympathy of all who have faith in the future of the country. To adapt a phrase Defectism is injuries to

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Recognise Sri Lanka

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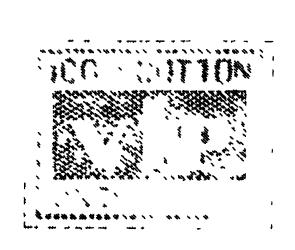
THE Australi in team has Llett Sri Lanka without shaping up adequately to the Lankan spin ittack It required bad light to put the match to an end and prevent a possible Lanka win Sri Lanka performed credit ably in all the matches and even defeated Australia in one limited over game

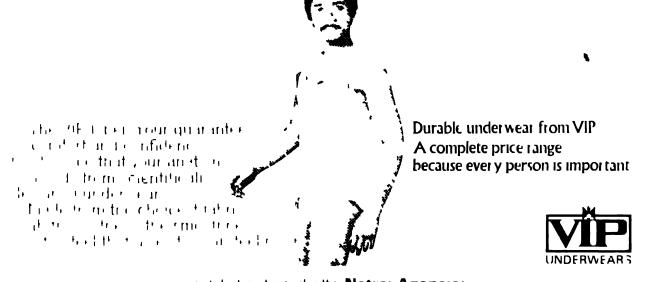
This performance adds a great de il of significance to the Duleep Mendis inter view published in Sport sworld dated April 22 According to Mendis crick et is fairly well organized in Sri Lanka and percolates to the grassroots As of now Sri Lank i certainly deserve lest status and the ICC should no longer delay its recognition to Sri I anka as a full member

Ideally Sri I anka should confine itself to the three Test series initially and af ter six or seven years, beawarded tull series India surely han a big role to play in helping Sri Lanka de velop the same over the

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IV in tune

Preparations for the Van Game they as are nearly swing. One does not contest that Nor the fact hat the budget too is winging higher and higher. But news about colour IV not being made as all able to Indian has certainly came as a damper.

However one silver lin ong has been the TV exer cise conducted recently in Patral a Calcutta Doordar han could be proud of the fact that one of the chief instructors was Biswanath Das sports producer Cal cutta's undeniable super iority in sports coverage has thus been recognised even though the on the verge of retirement Swadesh Kumar of Delhi was also present. The exercises were through and one hopes that the Asiad coverage would reach in ternational standards with Das at the helm.

But when is the AIR going to follow suit? Or does it intend to carry on statisticalithe coin ige into sports broadcasting hours—and remain happy with that?

A TALE OF TWO STATES

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Harvin eperhaps ha never hadat obadan port a it is on the exe of next ve or s Asi in Game There is no sport man from the State among the probable attending the ever deoubling comp for preparation for various international chain pion hip before the A rid Not i migle port m in from Chandu ail has been able to set a beith in the cump for weightlift ms basketball hockey and toothall. On the other end in Punjab which perhap ha neverhadat orond is everal player from that State are in the reckoning

Comparative tudy will bring out the point. None of Haryana hoop ter tound uplied imong the 30 probables value five players from Punjab have in ide it. Likewise in hock ey while Harvin chas no representative its neighbour Punjabh is is m inv is eight. Of the 40 probables for the junior section of the Wic | I Cup Hockey no even one is from Harvana where is Punjab has contributed for There are four weightlift ters from Punjab against Haryman none among the 40 selected for the camp

In women's football both have drawn a blank





in the Indian team taking parting the fourth Arm Cup Women - Lootball Again the player of Hary in a do not tu ure une ng 16 schoolt a selected for the tenth Vian School Tootball Championship but Pun-Jub has contributed three Live footballer, find place imong 23 probable for the Mardek (Cup Inc. will also be called for Loss under 19 ind under 15 for 20 players in each action. Only two Huy maloys to gure in the latter categor. What is aghof relief. Pun 14b contribution is three two for under 19 and one for under 15. In cidentilly only one athlete from Harvin c GitaZutshi wa amone the 36 who toured Tokyo tor the Asian Athletic Championship It four players are among the probables for the Asiad

one in woman one in junior girl and two in junior boys. Experts feel that the major reason for the non-representation of the Haryan exportsments the lack of job opportunities in the State. Obvious by the players are forced to look for kreener pasture.

ACROSS THE BORDER

Hello there where

The Bangladesh women skibaddich im pion winted to cmulate their mile counterparts in having an international competition with neigh bouring India The Bingla lasse endeavoured over a ve it to get the approval of the Amateur Kabaddi Fed er trion of India. The green sign if was given and West Bent il was privileged to host the firstever kabaddi internation difor women. The stage was extor the big occasion with accommodition (free of cost for the player in the Nizam. Palice

All this generated givent enthusia min the ary's kabaddifrateriaty. The hat entherripre entative to the bonder town of Bong ion to well come the ream But to then utter surprise only the Bancladesh coach cros sed the border Where were the kirls v how inted to display their prowess ic anst the Indian . It was later learnt that tour of the best Banklaplayers did not get their passports in time and so the team did not make the trip. This annoved the organisars as time and money went to waste even though they igraed to a plea of post ponement But the West Bengal Kabaddi Associa tion stipulated that the visitor must have to come within a specific time Well it was wer a month now that the ultimatum expired Are the girls still at the passport office?

An apology for a **Federation Cup**

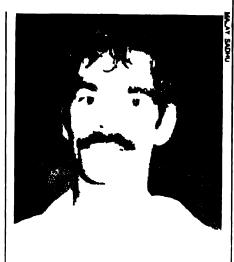
Instances where tourn ments have 'N India one can never run short of been held without my purpose. The latest example is the first Federation Cup Baskeibill Chimpionships held recently in Burdy in West Bened. The arbiters of the rate of back thall in India seem to have suddenly thought that if tootball could have a federa tion Cup who not bisketball. The thought or stillied into a decision during the Indore National in December last Strangel in the six months they had fill June was not enough for the federation to de acn or buy a cup for the competition I en in the the BHI tood the lin of the AIFI when they staged the first lederation Cup tournament When isked about this the BII official. Kiuclul and Shank in in and they were so but y trying to tinish all the matches that the chad no time to think about the cap-

A tournament is considered successful if there are good team, keen contests and proper facilities for the players. Unlike footbalars the cakers make little monetary demands. It is common knowledge that in India baketball rectinguerally unsound proposition. But the tournament it Burd wan cost k one lakh and the kuaran tec money paid to the BELWA only P 5000 White 211 bis un Burdson i toe mid two de l of the tournament is not under tindable. It is alleged that one of the bld afficial. demanded R 800 i trivelling expense cur turi

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The organies in Burdwin re crived good after money. There were nine men's teams and three women terms. The matches of the women's teams were played on double league hasis. It appeared that the large crowd that assembled ever day was attracted especially by the women casers. One of the organisers who did not mince word and Had there been more women's term - vic would have done much betrer tin incrille

There are clear and internal tends imen, the local clubs regarding dome the tournamen - which are occusionally held there. In the arcumst. ance the elempt of the reinfers to stage this removiment is bold but a lowere the main architect of Amritsar lo



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The timing of the competition was by no means ideal. The sultry weather and oppressive heat was unbourable to one and all. Abbas Moontaar an ex Arjuna. Award winner in basket. bill commented sidly. The BSF will the most popular with the cresd. But the BSI team that participated in Burdwan was not the original one. It was a mere district side. At the repeated requests of the organisers they collected players from different places ind competed only to please the erganisers. The organising association did not inform the BEI of the matter at the beginning The Kotickaji than) team lodyed a written protest against both BSI and Western Command for taking more than two players from outside An inquiry by the federation brought the matter to light But the BII them elves were not clean. As against the promised eight referces only six were ent. Their supervision too was not above question

While Western Command became the men's champions the women's title went to the unbeaten Amritsa District team Sarita Suman and Ashi

team's victory. The other women's teams were Calcutta Parsees Club and Central Railway They seemed to run out of stamina before the half time and naturally failed to impress although the average age of their players was more or less same as that. of the Amritsar team

In the men's section, there were keen contests It was brain vs brawn In the contest between tall build and fighting spirit on the one side and fine basketball artistry on the othersomething ever present in our basket ball—the former won The tall skilful players of Western Command stood them in good stead The Services eam had won the national championship i several times before last Indore Nationals But their supremacy was curbed by Rajasthan last year

Time and again Hanuman Singh penetrated through the Command de fence with his tremendous speed su perb juggling and dribbling His per formance was a treat to the packed stand. The Command players kept a strong vigil on their rival player Ajmer Singh the main scorer for the Rajas than (Kota) team bottled him up and rendered him more or less innocuous So Ajmer retreated to defence. The Kot1 team collected 26 points within the first 14 minutes of the game but the Command team tied immediately and finally took the lead collecting point step by step before the score was levelled at 34 all I mally the Kota team lost the game with the small markin of tour points (73.77). We titled to cish in on the easiest regretted Hinuman after chance the match. The supervision too was not up to the mark he said in a strong voice. With his time display and indisidual excellence Hinuman was the idol of the Burdw in crowd which could not take the result in good grace

The late team lost to Kota and BSF 4 105 and 53 51 rc pectively) like novices True they were without their star players Pradip Srivastava and Sunil Panda but their defeat was lugely due to Kamilakir Rao, their ciptain who wanted to take all risks himself and landed his team in a mess Sup in Singh of the BSF tought gallant. ly and it was his personal skill which made him the top scorer with 299 points to his credit in the men's divi sion. The Burdwan crowd will remem ber his performance for quite some

Regarding performance the West ern Command skipper Radheshyam said 'My players are strong in physique and they have all the qualities of a caser. The nature of the technique of the military terms and that of the civilian teams are different. For this reason the civilian teams were unable to keep pace with the military teams and they had to surrender

Hanuman Singh the captain of the Rajasthan team said 'Though the Command team enjoyed some advan tages especially in respect of stamina and height we were able to harass them with our own skill '

TAPAN GHOSH

Like it or lump it

PROSPECTING for gold in the team events of the Asian Games (soccer two and two and hockey one) has seldom been a profitable occupation for India Individual events—athletics, hoving lawn tennis (Ramesh Krishnan will be available) trap shooting and stestling—offer more scope for success. That's why AAI I officials are as pleased as Punch over the splendid showing of our top notchers in the Lourth Asian Itack and Field Meet in Lokyo.

Our athletes surpassed anything they had ever done before in a similar etting. They finished third behind Jap in and China with a sizeable haul it nineteen medals (five gold five alver and nine bronze). Geeta Zutshis the outstanding middle distance vomen runner in Asia. Gopal Saini is in the upgrade and it was nice to see A. Rajan follow in the wake of brilling time.

All three gold med illist have been included in the A in quad for the World Cup in Rome come September They will be out of their depth in the illustrious company they will be required to match strides with there That is to be expected. The bridge between Asian and world ithletic stim durds in the majority of the event man not be bridged in your life time or nine. But the exposure will do them a world of good although Ray n po ted 1 50 21 for the 800 metres while Britain's sensation Sebastian Coc improved upon his own world record vith in incredible 1 41 72 m in internation I meet in Florence

The meddlesome bure inerate of the Union Education Ministry do not muck about with the selector choice for team games. But they adopt all oits of peculiar postures where indicated events are concerned. Competitors who have fulled to attain minimum qualifying mark have been god tathered into Olympic and Asian Cames contingent. Addle Sumariwalla went to Moscow. His miserable performance would not have flattered a woman sprinter. The poor chap had done his best running between his digs and Shastri Bh avan to get his ticket for the Olympia.

the Olympic Games'
Bangkok 70 brought all sorts of threats from Jurnal Singh who had lailed to quality. He had the right apport from the right quarters. He

is allowed to compete in the 1500 metres. He ran like verize coyote and queered the pirch for the Indian ace. I does bequeir vone of the two AVI electors who have decided to hang their heads in shame over the Shiv nath Singh affair.

Shivnath was knocked out of the lokyo team with a foul blow. Was it a libbit of a kidney punch? A AFI president Buta Singh will let us know after.

an inquiry. How did Shastri Bhavan form its own notions of the minimum qualifying standards and arrive at the conclusion that Shivnath had not made the grade? And what has the AICS to say about all this? Ah yes, mums' the word if you want to remain in office!



There is no terminal age for sports men or women for that matter. Retire ment is a personal matter for the individual to decide. Vijay Meich into ummed it up nearly when he said. A player should retire when people ask why and not why not. Churchill I an sure would have appreciated that turn of phrase.

But all that does not help poor V isudes in Bh i kar in I knew that the victorious Olympic skipper's he id was on the chopping block. But I didn't expect the ixe to fill so oon.

Ken Bo en 1 back with the National Institute of Sports Patrala after a long; hopell in the private sector. He is the best track and field coach in the country. There can be no two opinions on that score. He is an expert on theory and he has a wonderful exe for talks. Bosen did our athletes a world of good in Tokyo. The AALI should be at itelul for his return to the main tream of the national team.

But the AAFI administration is allowing friend Sivia to jet away with quite a few capers. He may be held in check. There will be electronic timekeeping equipment and a photo finish camera for Asiad \$2 for which all committees have been formed and construction work is on schedule. We can't foul it up at the finish let's not mess it up at the start.

In the many vears I have spent with track and field -I arranged half a dozen borrowed hurdles night after night for Jim Vickers to train by torchlight —I have come acros three outstanding Indian starters—the late M C Dhawan Jal Pardivala and Ullal Rao I have not listed them in any order of merit. But there will be many past and present athletes particularly sprinters who would suggest that I place the last named first. However

Rao's work as a starter was praised by the late Jesse Owens when the immortal hero of Berlin visited India on a goodwill coaching assignment

way back in the mid fifties "Man, he's good real good,' Owens said And Rao, high jumper administrator, track and field official and starter has improved tremendously over the years

His reflexes are sharp. He establishes empathy with the competitors. He is scrupulously honest and he has been known to disqualify his own proteges (Tarachand Malaam and Violet Peters) for jumping the gun after the statutory warning.

A little known campus cutie was sent to Tokyo to attend the seminar for officials and coaches during the Fourth Asian Track and Luelo Meet, while Rao was sidelined. That was instant injustice. It cannot be remedied now But the AAFI must ensure that Ullal Rao is chosen as a starter for Asiad 52. The fact that he is the founder secretary of the Fechnical Officials. Association - it is yet to be officially recognised by the AAFI—hould not be a disqualification. The IOA does not play politics!

The organiser of the Fitth World Cup Hockey Tournament in Bombay this winter are pennywise and pound foolish That's why they have given the Bombay Gymkhana a kick in the pants and elected to play—and to hell with the promises given to FIH Brussels Meetings!— forty two matches in four teen days on only two grounds—the BHA and the Wankhede

The Bomb by Gym asked for Rs 1.70 lakhs for the use of it facilities mainly because it will be required to pend a colossal amount on temporary enclosures stands and the hire of chairs to seat around 15,000 spectators. The originiters expected at to accept the same terms of 10 per cent of gate takings and revenue from holidings as offered to the BCA proprietors of the Wankhede Stidium.

Is this tar? The Wankhede has built in facilities that have all been paid for. The premium matches in cluding he semi-timals and the battles for the gold and the bronze are earmarked for it. At a conservative estimate the BCA will pull in around Rs four takhs.

The organisers could have avoided the necessity of playing two matches every day on one of the two ground - this means a considerable loss of gate money and inconvenience to the players -it they had kept an open mand on the Gymkhana's offer I ourteen matches could have been played on one of the best natural grass surfaces in the world. If the average price of admission as Rs 5 and the average attendance 3 000 for each match the total gate receipts would be Rs 2 10 lakhs.

The organisers had everything to gain and nothing to 1 or by using the Gym as the third ground. But they misplaced their pocket calculators.

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Pressure will be on the defence

CHUNI GOSWAMI

It is ilways very difficult to predict the result of a football match and more so when two big teams of equal trength are involved. After going through the strengths and weaknesses of individual player in both the team along with the overall performance of the ade one tends to draw some ort of conclusion about the outcome of the match but the final result on that particular day may surprise mains and rever eithe opinions expressed earlier.

I ast Bengal will play their first big match in the Calcutta League against Mohammed in Sporting on July 4 and I would not be surprized if my assessment eventually turns out to be wrong on the day of the match. After all the star players who are supposed to play well on that day may well turn out to be failures for many are ison which is not very unlikely in a football match. Again a player of unknown quality may become the hero in the big match after being inspired by the occasion.

However, those uncertainties of individual players cannot be taken into account for our assessment and we have to analyse the things according to individual capabilities the overall performance of the team and the current sharpness and form of a player which is bound to give some indication as to the proceeding of the match

as to the proceeding of the match.

Lycry big match is different and distinct in its own flair Being the second big match of the season it is bound to create enough enthusiasm amongst the football loving people of Calcutta is the League championship will be wide open. However, the result of this match will certainly be a pointer is to which team will be the champion of the 1981 season.

As we me all aware I ast Bengal was uncerimoniously defeated both by Mohan Bagan and Mohammed an Sporting in the Tegleration Cup in Madra, two months back. Naturally the morale and contidence of the cluby a sit a low cbb prior to the commencement of the Leave this year. They had to truggle hard since then

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Their medios must be contained

East Bengal coach SANTO MITRA tells SARAJIT DEB that the midfielders roughly key in the big match, and the opponents linkmen must be contained at all root

BIFORF the start of the season I had rated Mohammedan Sport in a the most ballineed side. The players who are espected to make it o the first eleven are more or less of equal standard which makes it a very balanced side. The vital point for the coming natch be tween that the being that the coming is a positing that the rionsoon that it educate bout

le der torresol will be ordered with rain which to rain the round sticky. In condition Mohammedan or time have in advantage be ore all the player are used to the orderes and everyone has placed at the I den Cardens. Added to that is the local tension—on this is a they score over us. Their player is part expliced in a lot of big mark in a deutite whereas many of my player are not habituated to the crowd tension.

There the game tends to be detence oriented there is need of basic or genuine wingers ones who can stretch the defence. In Manash Phitticharva and Bidesh Bose they have a pair of formidable wingers In the real danger in the attacking In is their strikers Md. Akbar and Shabbir Mr Even though my stoppers are good their stakers are capable of posing a real threat to them In the midfield they have the edge over u. Pri mri md Prasun Banciper ire maintaining a good tandard of football and incv build up he orick very well. In that nell also they are better than us And in the last line of defence in [Bhaskar Ganguly thry have one of the best gostkeeper or India of not in Asia Atle it freely believe so

Coron to my ream, both the custod is Biswajit Das and Dilip Paul are physically fit Compared to Dilip Biswant has a better big match temperament. In defence I need Sudhir Karmak ir I only hope he becomes fit before the bip march -not only because of his game it will act as a psychological booster for the team. It also has an effect on the opponent players. The very fact of playing against Sudhir Karmakar goes into their minds Of course Monoranjan Bhattacharya and Premnath Philip are there There is some uncertainty with regard to the left wingback position Thomas Mathews will be fit by then and there is Shekharan, who is slowly coming up But he is not used to such ground conditions. So I will decide only after seeing the ground conditions Dilip Palit has a muscle pull but should also be fit and with Monoranjan at the centre, the defence (ught to be very tight Other wise there will be trouble

In the half line, the chances are open. All the players are of equal calibre with Amalraj being the first choice because of his experience. For the other position, institute amongst Khabazi, Fareed and Joseph Machado will play. It will depend a lot on the situation of the ground, their physical conditions and so on. It is difficult to make a decision at this stage.

In the forward line three players have established their position (D Iraneis Majid and

Jam hid The picklen in helett wing position there is complavers—Somenath Pan rus. Print Ghoshal Sanku Adhika and Mott Singh Somenath has in lighterause of his pame sense and if a because he has the temper ment for the big match.

As far a my team a concerned it would have been best free ld have adopted the free free in a But Mihammed in Spirit will play in the 424 line is at we fix the 433 tyle acvillate near let of frouble for unbecker and a redoes not have the necessary ity needed to pla and the tormation Mapidwill be the occasion and film be his usual game. It I brought Iranic as a could have better effect to had just cannot play on the vari he tend to come inside so I have to maintain the same the But if I feel a change is absolutely essential, I would not be it it to implement it

My plus point is that the Moham med in Sporting defence has vet to settle down but their players are capable of rising to the occasion in a big match and I only hope my boys do it better than their opponents. In the Federation Cup we had lost and I hope my player will try their utmost to take revenge

All said and done midfielder hold the key Whichever team on trols the midfield will have to continue both Prasun and Prasanta if the swant to win



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Majid will have to be marked tightly

On heavy conditions we have the edge, but I cannot take this match lightly, Mohammedan Sporting coach ABDUS SATTAR tells SUBHASH SARKAR

THE next big match on July 4 is not to be in case one. In fact this is going to be a vital match as all the Big Three clubs have conceded a point each

We have die dy met our formid ible opponents on two occasions - it Bungalore where we were joint winner in the Stifford Cup and Liter on , in Midri, where we defeated them in the Tederation Cup semifinal. At Bine flore we were on equal terms while in Midras we got three good opportunities and is alled of two cf. them I i Bengil had thea chances too but they tailed to utilise them. But it I remember correctly the bet chance we mi sed by C.D. Francis of Lit beneal when he had Bhaskar Cincoly it his mercy. Hid that god been ored the story could be a been iltogether different. Therefore I can not take the match lightly

What strategy I am going to take Well I do not think it will be proper on map in to divulge the now Beside. I will have to think more about it. The trategy we used again t Mohun Bag in

may not be the same. And that s for sure. But if it is he my going on that Saturday Mohammed in Sporting will have the edge. Why I am emphasising this point is that Fast Bengal is composed mostly of outstation players who are vet to get accustomed to Calcuta he my conditions although the fact remains that our opponents are good on a dry surface. Our outfit is basically alocal side, the player having already adapted them elves to the conditions.

The main pivot of I ist Bengal attacking line is Mand Basker and to a certain extent has countryman I am shid. And I do not think the carwovall pose much problem to my deep defenders provided the ground is he was It has been noticed that the day Mand play well strangely enough the team a rawhole does well. At least that habeen the picture in the I cague that it is This also mean that the I ist Bengal team banks too heavily on Mand Therefore I will have to see that he is tightly marked.

Their midfield is good with Amil

raj in the right link and Farid or Machado on the left. These medios can disturb my linkmen provided the ground is dry, but it it is heavy we have the edge because of the experences Prasanta and Prasun have Amalraj will have to be guarded well ind that I think Prasanta is capable enough to tackle him. I sincerely hope that Prisanti will be able to give of his best which I did not see ig ainst Mohum Bagan. It both my medios click together I think the tide of the match could go our way.

The only trouble Mohammedan Sporting forwards will ever get is from the deep defence which is definitely the strongest line. They have experienced Premarch Philip Manoranian Bhattachaya Shekaran and Mathews I think if it is a wet ground veter in Sudhir Karmakar will be fielded in tayour of Shekaran, I know that the opponent rearguards will be on their guard especially marking my wingers. Manash and Bide homore effectivel

In conclusion at the ground i drithe chances are even as had been noticed that Majid and Jam had played well in last years Lederation Cup in Calcutta as well a in Mada is Since Last Being al drew with Rail as Lettin has to accretion extent made them depressed.

Our driving encounter with Mehunbig in his definitely boosted in terms morale to rare it of tent. Nexthey shou I so the shole host obe it I it Pengil

their combination and coordination suffered a great deal. However, they are now in a position to field their best and in fact, the have been showing a mach improved display of late.

comme to the question of individual ability and performance so far the last being all defence despite out standing performance by Monor injan Bhattachary all along is not impregnable. While Shekharan will be the apportion man of Monoranjan Bhattachary and Premnath Philip will be the right ving back. Last Bengalis still in earth of a left wing back. And with the absence of a proper left back and in uncertain Shekharan the deep detence has to depend entirely on Monoranjan Bhattachary a Isat not too a nich to one man to cover so much?

After a long absence. Amaleur as a linkin in for I ist Bengil has shown enough ability and sprepared to take the burden of the midfield for the rest of the section. In fact, Amalian has been quite con istent in his perform ince for the last lew years and this fall court box may an court of time turn cut to be the number one linkman of nti provided he can develop in deten we ibility with in accent on in viceline. He other linkman of Fist Beng day till uncertain and there is a ompetition between experi OALL enced to eph Machado from Goa and the new find I areed from Hyderabad Lernips. Euced with his speed and I ability to cover a bigger zone will out match Machado in course of time



Manash beats Shekha an and takes a shot at year in the Federation Cup

About the forward line of last Bengal the three politions have since been carmarked by Iraneis Jamshid and Mand while the club is still in earch of a kennine left winger for which they have been trained by way of permutation and combination. It i anybody kness who will till the left flank among t so many But whoever plays he will not pose any threat to the opposing defence a none of the valible players if a genuine winger who could stretch the opponent defence and keep the wing back buty

A it is I ist Bengil will depend. much on their strikers. Although I ran-cis plays as a right winker he is essentially estriker and now he being in the habit of scoring these three are bound to cause a serious head tche to the opponents. Although Majid is playing in patches he has a lot of talent and physical fitness and of course the ability of scoring be autiful goals and will be the key man for the big mitch In fact East Bengal even with the presence of Amalraj Monoranjan Bhattacharva Francis and Jamshid mentally and strategically will hover abound Majid As a result of this when Majid functions well the team is in great shape. It has a danger as well—it he tails it is not unlikely that the team gets a jolt for which every opponent would try by hook or crook to blunt the sharp edge of Majid In

Previous results

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the field of mediocres. Majid is a cut above the others

For want of proper fluid wingers I ast Bengal will obviously not make moves along the touch lines. Jamshid the other Iranian striker is ipt in he iding and since Francis has a liking to come to the striking zone, there could be a possibility of these three coming clo c to each other in front of the opponent goal and trying to allow their own linkmen to push or lob the ball through the opponent's stoppers And here hes the greatest danger for Mohammedan Sporting Unfortunate ly Moidul Islam and Romen Bhat tachary is the two stoppers of the black and white prisers are slightly uncertun of themselves and yet to touch their peak form or at least with what ever ability they played by twen-Moidul Islam has in the meantime improved a bit but Romen Bhat tacharva is not as confident as he was last year. As it is these two stoppers are never outstanding and with their uncertainty this somethings are not very rosy for Mohammed in Sporting But supporter of the club will have to keep their tinkers crossed about v hether Moidul and Romen can muter their courage for the big occurion Put functioning of Mohimmedin Sporting vill depend on their formid ible linkmen. Prisun Binerjee ind Prisinta Bancipo. Prisinta wa unavailable for a long time for his inpury when the club was not too sure in the midfield though Prisun the present Indian ciptum was doing his job sinantele

With the return of Shibbit Ali in the forward line and Prayante in the midfield there is a tremendou improvement in the over all display of the ide. And just then Akb it got back his hooting boots. But unfortunitely Bidesh Bose i ciu ing chough diappointment for the side. Much will expected from him and it was thought that he would provide the neces ir go for Mohammed in Sporting He is still looking lethergic and not are of scoring either. The other winger, Minish Bhattachary eas just competent But the man who is the best in his own position between the two term a undoubtedly Bhaskar Gangal at the goal. It is very reassuring to see him in the best of form. We can rule out the pos ibility of silly goal or in a Bhakir and he is capable of saving word stinging shots as well-

About the trategic or tache on the day it is more dieu ed in the dre sing room than it i implemented on the field. However, it is expected that both the teams will idopt the 12.4 formation and bound rules the ix four forwards and two linkmen.

If both the teams are rather equal in strength with a bit of an edge for I at being il with the presence of Majid. It will be interesting to see how long both the weak defences will contain the opponent forward line.

But then I am always a believer of luck and the I ast Bengal coach then own boy Sinto Mitra has pleaty of that

Linkmen will decide the issue

On a dry field both the teams will play well but if it is wet then Mohammedan Sporting will be in a better position, says MOHAMMED HABIB, the only regular player today who has assisted both these teams in the past

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I defined in Sporting will be moring utch rival. I ist Bengal whom the beat in the recent Federation Cup tootball at Madra, on July 4. But how much impact the creounter will create will depend in ainly on the outcome of the Mohun Bagaa Mohammed in S. C.

em rement and like to remind tootbill 1 in that the monsoon has became related for a think that July 4 will to be a breakful and Under the circum trace predicting the end tesult on the belief to be a breakful toot at 1 and
Who I make meet to somethe point is that in 19.5 whom I done of the black and white shirt we placed the vital match against Mohun Bagan at the same venue. That we as which is the expert and the peneral opinions of the expert and the lamin were that we could become the league champions in view of the uniform!

Bhaskii Gingi, '

good performance prior to the exhibition match. The outcome at the Gardens turned out to be disastrous for Mohammedan Sporting. We lost the match 13. This happened solely be cause the players in the team were new inductions and therefore unaccustomed to he by ground condition.

I am trying to drive home the point that the outstation player do not get used to soft grounds with slushy surface until they get the experience of tocal conditions through regular match practice Therefore the side that has more local players has a distinct edge So if on thit Siturday the I den Gardens is wet Mohammed in Sporting will be in a better position as all their players have already adapted them selves to such conditions. In this respect lit Bengal will be placed it i disidentific because more of their footballers are new rearn. Of course I don't dense the new contributions term in terms are described and in the around is disctile alights well. This a with particular reference to Majid. Limshid and other at at riplivers

Both team if equilibrium don's exactly at list Bengal in the Federation support Madris. On paper I still think that the Mohammed in Sportial team is the best among the three grants. Moham Bagan included Yet I sill say that on Jry condition both teams will go all out.

But the performance of the linkmen will be vit if in determining the course of the match. And I think at the moment the Mohammedar Sporting medio. Prisinta Bancipe ind Prasun Bancipe chave the edge as both are well experienced on the Maidan where i. For Bengal will probably bank on Amali quexperience. I think there is a minor problem on the left hak and it vill be replaced or Maidan who is telded in the car as to who is fielded in the activated potty he has it is I are down when all potty he had in the doubt good players but they are vet to ket accustomed to local ground condition.

Now for the respective itticking i line up I et us be realistic. I think that i the skill displayed by the Indians is still better than the foreigners in this country if the Federation Cupresult is any indication. Akb it scored both the goals. Though I i t Bengil will depend." on Majid and Jimshid-who have been given too much importance-it | has been proved time and again that it , is the Indian, who have shown results And again I must say that the Federa tion Cup is the best instance. Last Bengal drawb ckin the attack is that they have to winger of the embre of Manash Bhittichiry and Bidesh Bose who have at last come into their stride But it is early to say what the performance will be like of both team in way East Bengil will be quire at ease while Mohammedan Spc 1 48 display will depend on the outcome of their match against Mehun Bagan But agun I will as that the match will be de a coornability of

A battle in vain

BANERJEE reports on the Mohun Bagan-Mohammedan Sporting Р first division Calcutta football league match

Mohammedan Sporting clashed in the Lederation Cup final at Madras here the former defeated the latter cisively by two goals to nil But there was a gulf of difference between the conditions in Midris and those revailing is the I den Gardens in tal atta Mohun Bagan—studded vith experienced footballers wave in in-oring diploy against Mohammed in sporting in Midic. All the players of Johan Bagan were then determined to disprove the proposition that they ere the number three term But it pre ent. Mohun Bigan is the number no term. The math in and Survit sengupte who played brilliantly in Acidea were somewhat subdued at the I den Carden Turther the absince of Grutum Sirkit who give is speed during that period. Any player Shyamal Banerjee who were tanding utilling display in the Lederation leaving command over the ball could an the same line. Many habound Shiyaji

Mohun Bugan

However 1 in Midri the result of the match at the Gardens was also fully consistent with the nature of the some The pectators however would have been more pleased had there all of the match been 14. None of the player of either terms are a few was ible to maintain the speed at which the match was played for the first 15 minute. So for fully justified reason. the match approached toward. Ledull

driw a time processed.
The ground condition of the I den were uch that it was possible to exploit it and procure the harvest within the first 15 minutes. At least I would have done that it I were the coach for the ball travelled at a high

CIX weeks back Mohun Bagan and | Cup also made things difficult for I have a table had control over the game through his drabbling and passing The underground draining system it the venue was highly improved and the condition of the around was excellent for the first 40 minutes

A post mortem of the march would reveal that Mohun Bacan played with integrity from the very beginning although the casiest charge of scoring 140 il cime to Mohimmed in Sporting in the first half Similarly although Mohammed in Sporting dominated the econd half Mohan Bagan of the excest chance of scoring in that half On both occusion, the right inger of the two teams got sudden chances to score Tirst Minich after receiving a pass suddenly accelerated his speed beiting Simil Bhittichirs i ind

I trans in the Mine Gagan estimations to the in Maia? Bhatlacharpa attempt



Baneriee standing helplessly. The conditions of the ground were such that Shivaji would have fallen on the ground had Manash moved his body a little. Instead of doing that he placed the ball to the left of Shivip it such a height that posed no problem to him-Shivan to ted it iwiy with his left hand I think Manash of 1979 would have scored that goal by bearing the goal keeper with a well placed shot However, Shiv ip to his credit, did not lose his nerve at critical moments of the match. At times. Shivip even surpassed the more famou. Bhaskar Ganguly especially when he clutched on to an excellent Bide h Bose centre Had he fuled in his attempt it would have been impossible for Suberta Bhattacharva to clear the ball a Md Akbar and Shabbir Ali were waiting it the correct place for the ball

Uligated twist the chance is Man ish did at a time when the spectators started thinking that the match would end in a time dray Running between Romen Bhatticharvi and Alok Mukherjee Uligi suddenly quickened his speed but his shot missed the target. The spectators saw Class lying on the ground because of in injury But we - who have pent 30 years with the time understand what the real inpure of Ulicers about

The first and the last contribution or Surapt Sengapt can the match was a swerving centre which Nivier Pius he ided over the goal pest. Sur que in tact was actually bettled up b. Alok Mukher jee, the young back of Moham medin Sporting Three year back Alok with a ghatly injury came to me for playing in the Lastern Railway to im. The same you he also carned

a himself the opportunity of playing the Indian Rulwi team I think it present there is no tougher tackler than him in India Be ides his heliding and hiding rickle he has a powerful left foot and coler a lot of ground with his left thoroid hots. He does not believe in percentage toothall and is naturally inclined to take it k However he should pay more aften tion to ball control and off the mark

Among table detender of the two term. Subject is an epitome of confidence. He is ive a stubborn display denying the lightest opportunity to Akbar and Shabbar. The way he started out at was apparent that he would give nothing iwiv. He met all the challenges very resolutely and vas a picture of confidence throughout the mitch. He was the most effective detender on the day

THE way Pragun Bancago played in the mid field was praiseworthy. He covered a lot of ground and had Prasanta Banerpe (for some reason seemed subdued) been able to apport him their combinition would have proved more effective. In the 13th minute of the first half he sent a through pass to Bidesh Bose which was them We wingers look forward for those kind of passes because they come ery raicly But Bide haruled to utilise that chance. He would have had

Coaches views

After the match, SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB spoke to the coaches of Mohammedan Sporting, ABDUS SATTAR and Mohun Bagan, SANKAR BANERJEE

ABDUS SATTAR Before I really begin giving the calient features of my team's performance against Mohum Bagan, let me first thank supporters of both the teams for their sporting behaviour, allowing the crucial match to be played in a very congenial atmosphere Of course, this was also made possible by the efficiency of police and the IFA's determined effort to bring back the friendly atmosphere which had been lacking for several years

Although our deep defence was beaten at least on three occasions, they played a compact game, But Bhaskar Ganguly made a costly error in the initial stage of the first half by coming out of his charge. In fact, he misjudged Surajit's swerv ing centre Special mention must be made of my wingback Alok Mukherjee, who put up a brilliant performance in his first appearance in a big match. He really bottled up the speedy international Surajit Sengupta, not allowing him any room to move But, in spite of this bright point my deep detence will have to brush up, as this is, you can say the fly in the ointment Regard ing the vital midfield, Prasanta Banerjee did not live to expecta tions He was rather subdued And Prasun had to shoulder the whole responsibility. He played his part very well Whatever movement that came from our side was, in fact, spearheaded by Prasun himself For example, the goal that Manash Bhattacharya missed was actually created by Prasun He gave the ball to Akbar who wall passed with Manash and the latter penetrated and had custodian Shivaji Banerjee at his mercy But he should have kicked the ball hard Instead he sent a feeble shot allowing the agile goalkeeper to fist the ball away Manash's goal would have definite by turned the tables in our favour

Example: the tables in but revolu-Example: the game He should remember that it is risky to dribble on heavy ground. I hope he does not repeat this is the next big match Of course, that will depend on the

or course, that will depend on the surface conditions
In the forwardline, my strategy was to play Bidesh Bose a little deeper This proved quite effective blost of our moves were from the left, but it was quite disappointing that my wingers, instead of playing with the strikers, were rather self ish in attempting shots at goal directly from acute angles - This actually doesn't pay I will, howev

er, not deny the fact that Akber, too, was erractic and was mispas sing Further, Shabbir is a onetouch player and the other for wards could not cooperate well with him My idea was to draw the Mohun Bagan stoppers out of post-tion by playing Akbar a little deep er from where the attack could begin This ploy paid, particularly in the second half, to a certain extent in breaking the rival deep

A word about Mohun Bagan their goalkeeper played well sav ing at least three good chances According to me, Subrata Bhat tacharya and Shyamal Banerjee did their job well in the rear Gautam's absence was really very sorely telt It makes a lot of difference, although Mihir did cover up to some extent in the forward line Pius was a real source of danger He played extremely well. His game making sense was very good

SANKAR BANERJEE Taking ev erything into consideration it was a good match and I would say it was a Fair result Before the match we thought the ground conditions would not be conducive to fast football so we tried Shyam Thapa as a striker. But when we saw that the conditions were not really bad, we replaced him with Francis D'Souza You can say it was a gamble Our greatest difficulty was in the midfield region Gautam Sar kar could not play due to injury and none of the voung linkmen who joined the team this year has really settled down So, we no other alternative but to field two inside forwards as halves. It would be too much to say Mihir Bose filled the vacancy of Gautam, but he tried very hard and played real tough and good football But we difinitely missed Gautam

My forward line failed, but so did theirs It is very difficult to control the ball in these conditions and I think that is the basic reason why the forwards of both teams failed A different way of putting it would be that the defenders of both the teams played well and did not allow an easy passage to goal My defence, as I had told you on an earlier occasion, is the base of the team They lived up to my expectations All four played well and it would be very difficult to single our any one of them A word about our goalkeeper, Shivaji Banerjee He

executed a wonderful save

the open goal if he had cut in because the ball had crossed the defenders but he ran down the flank and shot out from a difficult angle. To check his progress, the Mohun Bagan players ometimes resorted to hard tackling

The main problem confronting Mohun Bagan was the mid field region ince both Mihir Bose and Md. Habib in bisically inside forwards. One can is that Prasun had also started his mer as an inside forward but Prasin has been playing as a half form irly nine years and has represented hidia in that position only. Mihir tried his best but unlike Prasun he does not tive the footwork nor does he have he capacity to initiate attacks. He orked hard and tried his best and tick two shots at the goal, which proved abortive.

It was quite clear that Mihir Bose s ibi ita Bhattacharya Shyamal Baner ice and Prasun Banerice were mental prepared to put up a stubborn li play Prasun would have scored a oil had he not given the pass to Bidesh. He did not take the shot poss bl due to the fact that Shivaji was ruiding it the correct position to imbat it. Both have played together or a few years and both know each their weaknesses. It must have crosd Shiving's mind that Prasun will not hoot unless he brings the ball to his tett foot, and perhaps for that reason shiv in took the correct position

Amongst the forwards one should that with Navier Pius Pius is not a centeriker because he does not know tow to use the instep of the foot. But a can in wing ind outswing with a liest deal of effort. But there is no a dy like him in India at present who in turn with the ball within such a hort space. This is the fixourite capon of Pius Whenever he received top is from behind in one touch he



Manash Bhattachana e Tace down atte i usurq a go den ipportunity. In the foreground in Compton Dutto of Mohun Hagan and Bide hi Bose of Mihammeda's Sporting





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passed it on to Surinit and Unia. The cought the entire Mohammed in Sporting detence on the wron beor let the touch that he done has ordered it to a great advantage. In fact there was more in the Moham Bayana avant hine to utilise those chances and coresing of letwar by utilism his passed that ledge had become a terror at the Ledge had become a terror at the Ledge that the ledge that the ledge that the ledge that the band done at Madra.

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The match ended in a blank but what is most gratifying a that the players realised that they had come to play tootball. The last occasion when a big match was a tuck at the laten Gardens. To persons had died It was heartening to see that the player did not forget that sad incident of Yogu to 16. There were many dangeron tack les in this match, but in every case of tackling the players of both teams a displayed true sportsman's source.

displayed true sportsman's spirit

Milan Dutta the referee of the
match did not have to face invitepul
nant situation. His conducting of the
match was so simple and spont incous
that it never wounded the vinity of
the players. The match however registered a victory for supreme realisa
tion on the part of the players and the
spectators.

Luck was against us

The best player in Mohammedan Sporting was linkman Prasun Banerjee SUBHASH SARCAR talks to him after the match in the dressing room Excerpts.

SPORTSWORLD What do you think of the match?

PRASUN BANERJEE I think the drive to a large extent has revived the p estige of Mohammedan Sporting in new of the fact that Mohun Bagan be it us in the Federation Cup final at fide is Both the teams tried to play vell Perhaps the government and public support enabled the match to ne played in a cool and friendly atmoshere. It reminds me of the atmosthere that prevailed in the Sixties and I do agree that what followed there it for it the football field was tension Fit June 20 was a unique example of public's sporting behaviour and he should be maintained. It was be in e of the public support that both the teams were allowed to play their par well

SPW How do you react to donning the black and white jersey

PB This I the first time I am playing for this club I won't deny the fict that the club gave me rauch respect and I on my part tried to do my best. Of course, changing, shirts did justly affect me psychologically affect playing for Mohun Bag in for so many cars. In fact, my brother (Pradip Binerjee) came to my rescue when he told me. Prasun, always temember hichever shirt you don treat it is our mother club. This elevated me and from then onwards I tried to give ny best although we could not win.

SPW Your team's performance?

PB Since I got the Arjuna Award and the people knew fully well that I was playing for Mohammedan SC I had to play well. Another reason is that since the club has been in the forefront of late-the last time the club won the league title was way back in 1967-I went all out I feel our performance at the Eden Gardens was much better than what we displayed at Midris in the Federation Cup Though we could not win at least we snatched a vital point. I think luck went against us otherwise we could have won We missed two sitters—through Manash bhattichary i ind Bidesh Bose But this draw has boosted our morale tremendously. We have come back to our stride

SPW Did you face some anxious moments?

PB Yes Xivier Pius who was the only Mohun Bagan player to have performed well in the forwardline was a source of danger. Ulganath in too when he managed to get the ball from a defence lapse. Then again counter attacks troubled us. I thought our opponents would play well but it was just the opposite. I don't think Mohun Bagan should have replaced veteran Shyam Thapa since he is a potential danger on he ivy ground—he has scored many goals previously on such conditions. Francis D Souza is not at all accustomed to he avy ground conditions. In fact, we were relieved when

Shyam was replaced

Then again everyone thought that our defence would not play well but I really must say that they clicked on the big occasion. Our team fought very well

SPW What do you think about Manash Bhattacharya's chance which Shivaji fisted away?

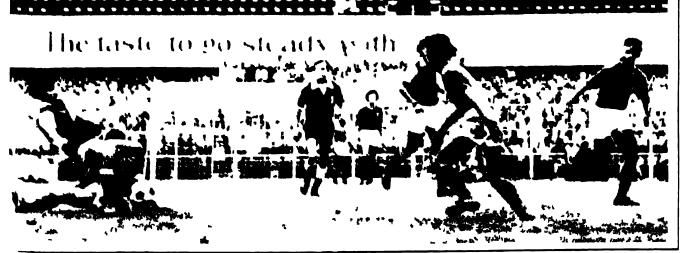
PB Shivaji saved a nice goal Had Manash placed it to the right of the goalkeeper it would definitely have been a goal Anyway Shivaji saved a lucky goal bound shot Regarding their defence Subritada and Shyamal Bandee performed well The collision I hid with Shyamal was incidental though I got huit in the rib

SPW What do you think about the next match against East Bengal?

PB We have to win as this is a very important match which could decide the league issue. We need more practice. Our combination must improve and the following must have to be more thrustful. But time is the main factor Answay. I will say that our team will go all out.

I want to say something about the AIR commentary in general. It is pathetic to hear prominent players being singled out Criticism is most welcome but then there is a limit to the epithets used against us. But the criticism they make about us is quite derogatory at times and this creates tension among both the players and the supporters.

b ata runs to prevent Prasun from taking a shot at the Mohur Baqai goa



We lacked fighting quality

The most effective player from the Mohun Bagan side was SUBRATA BHATTACHARYA Times without number he nipped the attack in the bud SARAJIT DEB spoke to him after the match Excerpts

SPORTSWORID What do you p think ibout the re-ult of the match? Was it fair?

SUBRATA BHATIA(HARYA Yes I would six it will in evenly conte ted match from the point of view of the a certifor. Throughout the match two positive chances vere cite ited one each bothe two teams. They got the that chance then Manish Bhattichary chad only the koalkerper to bear. He took a prompt shot but it was brilliantly saved by our custodian Shiving Bineries. It was more to Shive psecedit than March hortcomme But the goal we missed it was to Ulacin ith in dicredit He hot out with Bhaskir Gauguly at his mercy. It was every imple chance and it came it the figured of the match. That goal would have given us the much needed

SW. About the chance Manash got de you think it was the fault of your i detence.

SB Yo you can partly blame u ! because unles we leave a kap how can a forward per integen gold in front of him. I will explain what happened When the ball came near the joil mouth I w s confident I would get it In fact I got my foot to it ind if I had been able to connect it properly it would have been a wonderful piece of intropation. But the ball touched no. right foot on the wrong side and went 1803 Mana has a very opportunistic place especially in front of the coaland he direct in It was partle the fault of our left stopper Sumir Phit tachary cand left back Shyamal Banci. jec for the hould have tollowed Minab

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who are inside forwards because [Gautam Sarkar was on the injured list Did you think you were handic ipped on that front?

SB We had no positive halves. It Giutam hid been there it would have made a lot of difference. Mihir Bose played very well. He tried hard and played according to instructions. He we told to tight for every bill and he never let u down Hibibdi (Md Habibowa, entru-ted with the duty of distributing the ball. He was not very ucces ful But one mu t not forget his use He tried his be t ind perhap it i positive half had been beside him (sav. Grutim) he would have done better The presence of such a player lends a psychological edge. Habibda was a bit ubdued We missed Cout in enursing a hamstring muscle pulls because his rackle and distribution are both politive. Bur that couldn't be helped We did the best with the ivial ible player.

SW What about your forward line Are you satisfied with their perform inces

SB Lation it Xi ici Piu started well and we distributions the ball but the other for said could not keep up with him. Their stoppers. Modul I I im. and Romen Bhattachuvi are i little weak but our striker, failed to utilise this shortcoming because they did no o for the ball and let them ele if the ball without any resistance. I must say Uligabiled to get the better of Chinmos Chatterjee like he had done in the Lederation Cup final. And Surapt Sengupta was more or less made a pas enger by Alok Mukherjee v ho j played extremely vell. Our troutliner SW You played with two halves interchange quickly. That could have

up of their rhythm but our forward fuled to fight

SW What about the detence? SB. In the League we have so far let in four goals and naturally the supporters were not very confident about u-We were inviously waiting for in opportunity to prove that we are not tinished. I will not say who played the be to let visite im work indiwe were t succe stul in holding our fort

SW You have mentioned the Led cration Cup final In that match I had seen a different Mohun Big in teim. It was more spirited. Here you lacked the go in spite of being psychologically superior having defeated this team just a month and a half back. Do you agree?

SB I fully index with you Before ! he lederation cup everyone includthe you had and that we were the third ide At Midri we for ht much harder to prove exervone wrong. The term prit we much higher over there Here the spirit vic lacking I cunnot . sh but I think the ground conditions placed in important role One mult not forset that in our team there we a fey alled player. The found it difficult in the fick ground because tremendou muscle power ineeded on the kind of surface Another reason could be that the play a er my hive tiken it for crinted that ince thad be iten the adequalic we would a making Atleast Langus I aid not think on the cline because I treat all bis matche ver errously but all said and done the para which had helped a van the Lederation Cap within inclinith match I thinlat we had that pirit we could have won We

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SW. Fist Bengal have lost a point If any one of the teams had won today they would have been a step ahead in the I cague championship Don't you think both the teams missed the oppor tunity because now all the three ! teams have dropped a point each?

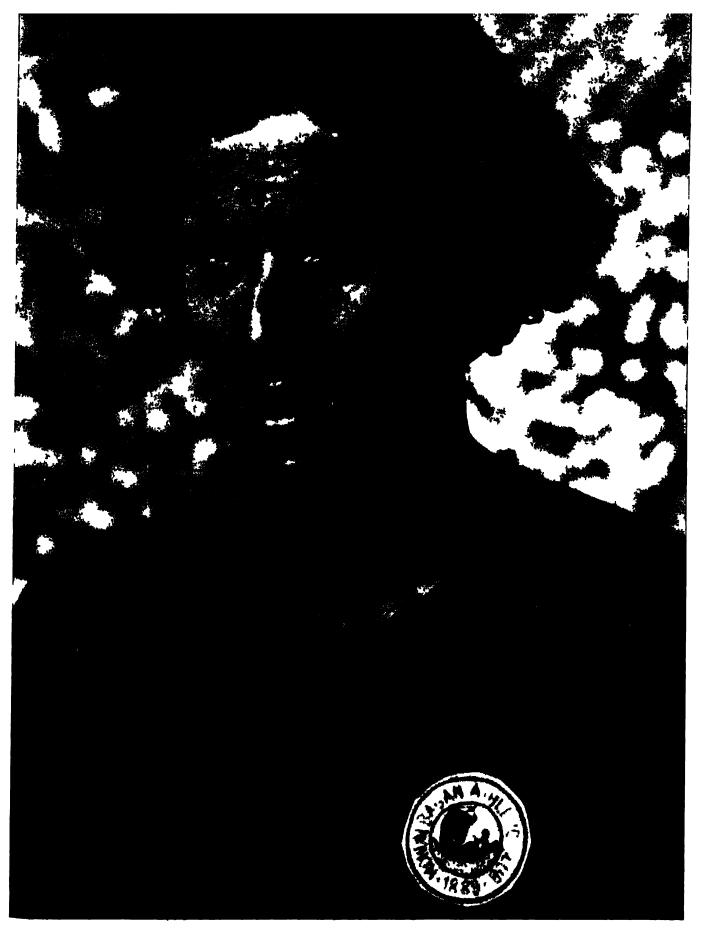
SB We did miss the chance of forging thead But it least we (both the sides) have played one big match where is Last Bengal will have to play a akainst both of us. On that score, we l have an edge but that is only partial because one can never say with conviction that we ll beat all the small teams

SW. What about the best players of

SB In the Mohammedan Sporting line up tour players stood out-Prasun Bancriee Alok Mukherice Man ash Bhatticharya and Bidesh Bose In our team all the defenders played well along with Shivaji and Mihir

the match

PICS NIKHIL BHATTACHARYA



SWIMMING in court

THE Bomba, High Court has pranted in cx parte injunction filed by the M harantia State Aqua tic a sociation restraining the Swim ming federation of India from conducting the junior Nationals at Calcut-

ta from June 10 to 14

The MSAA rave two reasons for their late t action. Fir the the the group in the four events should be the same a decided last year. The SEI proposed to advance the dates by ore on for example under the nexruling at the SEL those born on or after Junuar 1 1971 were elicible for particulation in thought while in the original faling the date of Jimury 1. 1970

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time In fact, their partnership is a long history of distasteful events It all began in 1979 when Bombay con ducted the junior Nationals Mr Shah said Most of the SII officials landed up in Bombay with their wives and children and expected us to provide board and lodging Next the SFI offi crils started throwing their weight around this hould be done like this and don't do that. At this stage, we told the SLI bosses that if they wanted thing to be done in a particular man ner they should have landed up a few days prior to the meet and not after it had commenced. After all we have a commitment to the sponsors and the participants



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pro Aof. fet spront em. The parallel body was formed less than a year ago Avinash Sarang, the well known swimmer is the secretary of this group Explaining the main reason for the formation of this splin ter group Sarang said. The main grouse we had with the MSAA wa that there was no sudit of the accounts. There were no general body meetings. And what's more there was no constitution at all We suggested that the MSAA register as a society so that it can avail of the Covernment grants but they replied that to get k 100 from the Government you have to 1 spend Rs 500 It's uregular thinking

Mr. Chimanlal Shah 57 a social worker counters. It is true that there were no general body meeting or audited accounts between 1976 and 1979. I myself pointed out the free u Inity and consequently refused to operate is the secretary. In 1979, all the book were brought up to date dections and a seneral body meeting vere held We abmitted all rele int paper to the SLL I have written proof that the evere accepted by a senior official of the SLL But later on the tederation turned turtle and said hey have not received it to cur are it imprice A for the real tration one experience has hove that it you is inof contour concorder planes, produce Whether platery run ning your control that is contributed to

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In all this backlash, that is being ! thrown to and tro it is difficult to judge who is right or wrong. The truth i is that this is the story of most sports associations in the country. As in the other cases in the ultimate analysis it is the sport and the sportsmen who pay the price

INTAB CUP

Maharashtra 🖹 on top

FAROOKH KHODAIJI

THE Int ib Cup tournament owes its A sistence to the ibandonement of the 35th National I I cups it Vallabh vide in igen in 1977. It was organized or the fir t time by the Orissa Table te mis A occation it Cuttack in May 175 Indicate the town imentitisely was he brainchild of Sodhal Mohaity, the TEA secretary

The idea was to hold a tournament i ers for junior and subjuniors to rate more competition for them and Of Intab was accessful perhaps he THE would consider conducting the cate national for enters and junior. CIV VOII

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The enior piels imples event was ver much a Maharashtra monopols. vith the first four spots being son by their player. Charge long he the cunner up in the senior pirls singles plays diffidently whenever she is in he lead and that's her weakness When she was two game up in the final she pocketed her aggressiveness and would not attack In fact the sudden spurt of attack was the weapon which was upsetting Niyoti. Once the Bomb sy girl tound her rhythm ne ran through the next three games without mistake. One can clearly see that Tengshe is cut out in the mould of Shailaja Salokhe But it is not neces sary to follow so faithfully in Shaila's footsteps Tengshe should be more attacking Then only she can go ahead in the senior ranks



Lithe boys event Supp. Chorp id called the case the Punc Indahaj holds the junior national little for the It two year is above the retrieble citizen and hould try and make a lifee in a row by winning the 1+1 distribute But a trium of corr cosperment with the future in rand I confidence is an electric after in super player the purious considerable tile his epport on for signical in now ever a defermation ortidence is etern blog utner It 19 udovrjutwhen unet our elt so super had bet er

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The sub-junior boys events were won

by Bengal Ganesh Kundu won both the events. He defeated Ranjan Singh of Assam in the singles. With P. Biner. jee he also won the sub-jumor doubles CVERTS

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One sishe that the Intab Cup i tournament, world ultimately be converted into the junior nationals. So many idvintage, sould acrue from this In recent times the nationals have become cumber one. Too many events too mans players too much cost. The separation of the senior junior national events is a must. The sooner the better Let the youngsters have a national of their own at regular dates and or time. This year's Intab. Cup have proved that it is possible to make such an event a success





Sportsworld Serial

God and Ian Botham

The Lord's Test against India in 1979 saw Ian Botham take his hundredth Test wicket--that of Indian captain Sumil Gavaskar. This extract, describing that feat is from the book. Ian Botham. The Great All Rounder' by Dudley Doust. The book is published by Cassell Ltd and is priced £ 6.95.

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Chauh in Tor his part is nerve Bedi-had said one could a Botham's counce and accomplished Chauhan had or error hach mitells himself be not unaid of the Englishman's remore In teach the Indian tries to convince himself that Both an sidanger bill is he will out swinger which in the damp bears weather might leap erratically away from the bat. The barrle i joined At the other end trava kar also is batting with some dicember first against Lever then Botham As the overs tick past Poth im grows annoyed baffled by the hall's curious bahaviour. In the slips 15 Lever bowls Botham speaks of the problem with Brearley and Taylor. The odd ball swings and the next one doesn t " he says Brearley suggests he is trying too hard. Taylor says not to fight it the cause is moisture

MOISTURE, indeed, is in the air, and falling Rain soon halts play for 18 minutes, then again for 12 minutes and as the Test moves into the afternoon Botham is still in his first spell only just worked up to his full



pace. The Indians are frustrated by the rain and the unpredictable behaviour of the ball They have only 12 runs on the board when Botham again is bowling at Chauhan Botham comes in The ball resting lightly on the tingertips of both hands, is shifted into the right hand some eight yards from the crease Chauhan is looking out for the unruly out swinger. The notion of a bouncer flits through Botham's mind but suddenly unaccountably he has I bowled something clse an in swinger of full length. It is an amiable ball, fat tor the hitting Chauhan however, has committed himself towards the off stump. The ball pitches near his feet, near middle and leg and races further down the leg side. The Indian is overbalanced. He is in a tangle. He makes a wristy little flick at the ball part in defence and part in attack. The ball shoots just behind square leg-Randall quick as a blink hands forward and falling scoops it up cleanly Chauhan is disgusted with himself. It wasn't a wickertaking ball he is to say afterwards shouldn't have played it Botham concurs Ye it was a bad ball wicket , He doe not mile bid balls take wickets too

The serie is 23 for one wicket Hendrick is bowling it Dilip Veng ar kar the tall and elegant young mar from Bombay who after two overs is still to get off the mark. Fir t bail Hendrick bangs in a short one and the Indian half tending ticks a low chance towards Botham Botham bobs down and brilliantly accept it left.

"I'll get him (Sharma) on the next ball." And he does

handed Hendrick is iping forward has to arm bloody heli he thinks absolutely typical a wonderful catch by Botham done viong India are now 23 for two and not surprisingly Botham has had a hand in both wickets

INDIA are bogged down Shortly at ter lunch they lose their third wick et the valued one of Gundappa Vish wanath the tiny veteran with the lugubrious look and the wrap around beard caught Brearley bowled Hen drick for 21 India 51 for three Vish's wicket is followed soon by another equally vital one, that of Gavaskar At the crease for two hours and 19 minutes for his 42 runs, Gavaskar is stalled, tied down by Hendrick, and a little rashly he tries to cut a nipping away ball from Gooch and is caught behind India 75 for four

Botham, after consultations with his captain, abandons the frustrating Nursery End, moves to the Pavilion End His second wicket of the day, the 96th in his Test career, is soon to fall The victim, the bespectacled Aunshuman Gaekwad, who has played against every major cricketing country in his career, has high regard for Botham quite from the Somerset bowler's

move as much off the wicket He has been in for more than one and a half hours and, alternately pinned down by Hendrick and assaulted by Botham, he has been able to squeeze out only a dozen runs

Botham has read the Indian's anxie ty and he is peppering him with in swingers one after another and then at the last moment of the next deliv ery, he chooses an outswinger The ball pitches just short of a length, holds up a bit, lifts off the "ridge" wings wide Gaekwad is befuddled 'I was about to leave it,' he is to say later, but suddenly it came up and at the last moment. I pushed at it." (raekwad gets a touch The hall races off the edge of the bat-straight to Laylor Gackwad is gone India 79 for

(Weeks later, Botham sat in a hotel room and watched the replay of the till of Gaekwad's wicket over a televi sion video tape. Jim Laker was com mentating. Not a very good delivery Not a very good shot. Laker had said to thousands of BBC viewers. 'But they all go down in the book

Replayed on tape as though for Botham's benefit it had sounded odd ly rude. Botham stiffened and asked for the type to be backed up and the tall of the wicket shown again. It was and once again Laker was dismissive about Botham's delivery and repeated that all wickets went into the book You're goodam right they do Jim dotham had snapped at the set they

Bad balls take wickets, too

all go down in the book a Kapil Dev is the next to go down in the book. He is to be Both im's third wicket of the day nis 97th in 19 Tests Kapil Dev is a natural rival to Botham Cornhill the lest sponsors describe him in their Frochure

Kapil Dev (20 Harvana) India's answer to Ian Both am, may not in fact be quite as formilible an all round talent as the Somerset man but is undoubtedly his country's best find for many years a clean driving right handed ba sman '

kapil Dev hasn't been doing much clean driving off Botham in the series twice falling to him cheaply at Fdgbas ton (for 1 and 21) and now has scored four runs and played at all the four balls he received Botham recognises the fault in such fervour Kapil Dev must be asked to play at a bad ball Botham pounds in and delivers just such a ball an out swinger widish and Kapil Dev lunges after it The ball shoots off a thick edge, low and well to the right of Geoff Miller in fourth slip Miller flings himself down, tumbles, comes up with an astonishing catch Kapil Dev pauses in disbelief before moving off towards the pavilion India 89 for sux

Botham, the England steamroller,



Botham and Taylor being congratulated by teammates after the dismissal of Yashpal Sharine

soon is to stall over the young Punjabi Yashpal Sharma who is making his Test debut and batting with delibera tion. He has been in nearly an hour received 52 balls and scored eleven runs As Botham bowling, turns and starts in young Sharma backs away and holds up his hand. Umpire Palmer comes forward. The Indian says there is something in his eye. He asks if he can go off to have it looked after Brearley on the spot is a hard man under such circumstances he firmly protests that Sharma must stay on You can go off if you like Palmer tells the young Indian but if you do we'll have another batsman

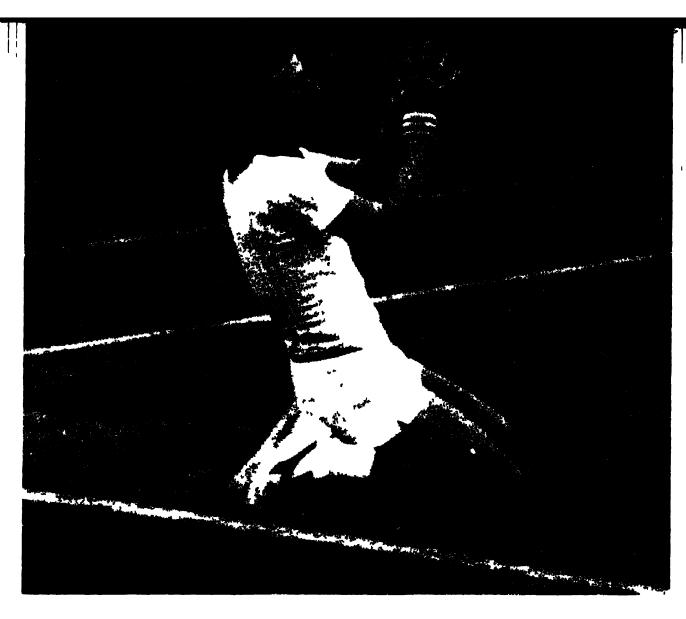
Boycott by now has arrived on the scene and examining Sharma's eye declares there is nothing in it and suggests they get on with the match India send on a man to wash cut their batsman's eye England fed up with the time being wasted increase the pressure by making a great casual show of indifference over the delay Players sit down chew grass Hen drick, Gooch, Miller and David Gower settle down in a circle 'A quick game of knock out whist?" asks Hendrick Someone asks who has the cards

"If I'm not sure of the ball I'm going to bowl, how the hell is the batsman going to guess it?"

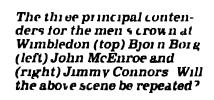
another pulls an imaginary deck out of his pocket shuffles it deals imaginary hands all round. The players pick uptheir phantom hands, sort them out inthin air. We had just got round to Miller later was to recall bidding 'when the guy decides his eye is all right." Botham meanwhile chatting with Palmer makes a prediction. I'll get him on the next ball he says. It never fails after a hold up like this Botham now has set a challenge for himself get Sharma first ball He thunders in lets go a good ball, just short of a length. It pitches on the dreaded ridge holds up lifts. Sharma unsettled after the long delay gets a thick nick-straight back to laylor Botham leaps, twirls, charge s down the wicket in glee and his mates swarm round him Botham 98 Test wickets India 96 for seven

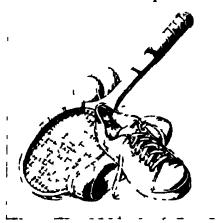
Botham's profuse wicket taking has sent a palpable chill through the India changing room. The observant Gaek wad recognises the growing pessimism brought on by Botham's inexorable tumble of wickets. Ian was getting bigger and bigger in our minds," Gaek wad says later "some people who were still to bat didn't want to watch him bowl They left the balcony or turned away from the television set." The faint hearted Indians had little time to avoid seeing the pillage Bharat Red dy, the wicketkeeper, lasts eight balls and goes without scoring, out plumb Now to a well pitched up ball from Botham Botham 99 Test wickets In

dia 96 for eight











News : International

ALL-ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Borg blitz begins

DAVID McMAHON reports from Wimbledon

I precisely 2 pm on the atternoon [A precisely 2 pm on the afternoon Land June 22 the ampires walked at onto the hillowed turt of Wimble fon's Centre Court tollowed by the challboys in their uniform. The cheer ng increased rising to a dealening co cendo as the reigning champion Bjorn Borg wilked out into the un June followed by his first round oppoment Peter Rennert of the USA Bork wilked on seemingly oblivious of the mmultuous greeting and probably fuled to notice a young girl clad in blue and vellow Sweden's national olours, waving that country's flag-

Borg lost the first point a Rennert sho served first, bit a crisp backhand volley that evided the champion racket by inches It was a hot that Rennert used to deadly effect through out the match this ingled backhand drop volley often citching Borg *lit-Loted Bork had problem with his civice is well double fulling is nany is seven time in the match

I teel much better now than I did before the match. Bork aid in the post match Press conference. I mate neved that the kinner behind me Lectuse there is a lot of pre- ure or me. But if there we presure on the Swede at certainly did not show. Apart rom the problem with his erace he cemed to have difficulty finding hirhythm in the first of which yeultimitel decided in he tic breaker

Rennert play the htms tennis upparently unayed by his opponent He matched Pork stroke for troke in the first set and actually had a break point on his own ervice which he dumately squandered borg placed more confidently in the second set and creed with more consistency. I was throwing the bill up better in the econd and third set he said later and this eemed to solve my prob-

The best shot of the match was a corching backhand paising hot by Borg in the centh sime of the condiser. Rennert pinned Bora to the baseline and advanced to the net for the kill but Bork outsmarted lain in tyle. He chose not to use the deten-I clob opting for a siz-line backh ind instead despite the difficult angle and left his opponent open-mouthed inidmiration. Borg took the next two +tt hander gave nothing iway

I had only played him once be re sud Borg. That wis in Cinida about two years ago and it had been a l pretty close match. Therefore, I thought I would have a tough time this afternoon, but I must say a s good to be past the first round

Iwo ceded player Ivin Lendl and Victor Pecci made their exit in the first round. The defeat of fourth seeded Iv in Lendl of Czechosloviki i coming a it did at the hands of unknown Charlie I meatt of Au tralia was the more sensational especially the litter has come through the qualitying round

I incutt emerged victorious in five cts 46 6 64 16 6 to put paid to the ispiration of the promising young Fincutt said after the match 'I was mentally tired after the fourth set but I just tried to get every ball in and win every point. His backhand traditionally the weakest part of his game functioned well and a jubil int I incutt igreed that this was his biggest win

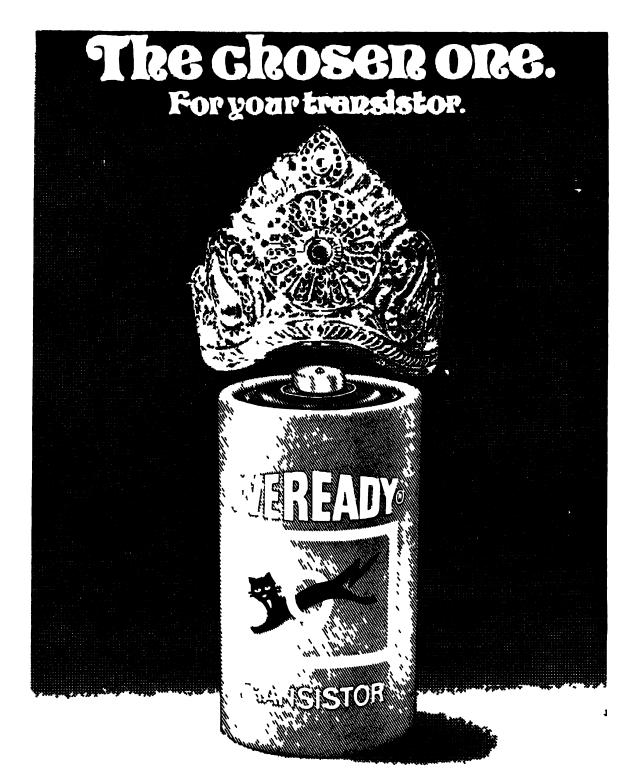
Meanwhile on Centre Court the quest of Victor Pecci of Paraguay also cime to a drimitic end the score board showing a sensational 7.6 6.0.60 win for underdog Bill Scanlon of the USA Pecci led 4.2 in the opening set and later at 6.5 had two et points on Scinlon's serve Scinlon held serve ivon the tie breaker at 7.3. ind then hut Pecci out completely denving him a single game from that stage on

Pecci was under pressure as Sean Ion pinne I him down and he began making far too many unforced errors for uplayer of his standing. His shots missed the baleline by teet his volleys were untidy and he double taulted just when he needed a point Scinlon by a comparison played calmaternic intercepted impossible shot and won simp-Is become he ware Pecci down

On number one court Bork's irch. Czech player. Twenty two year old larval. American John McEnroe vas-

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overcoming countryman Tom Gullik on and his hair trigger temper. The number two seeded player was public warned for his unsportmanlike be haviour and had a precious point dock it from his score for insulting fred flowles, the tournament referee be not be iting the senior player 7.6.75 or in the opening round.

On the afternoon of Friday June 19 the All England Club bustled ith ictivity. There weren't any tip leas seated at the Wimbledon bar. No there was a different kind of activity Workmen, bustled, around, carrying adders and mops and an assortment of its its last minute arrangements are completed. The electronic core board outside hid to be set ready in three disks time as the unlucky in — tho e not fortunite chough to joine Centre Court passes would be thronging around keeping a witch in the digits depicting the score on the floty of Holic.

Security men were stopping all hose to use to get past the gate and en member had to produce their aid in order to earn admittance. One under the disping part a securofficer is his attention wis direct momenturily, but he spotted for and a key her exactly what she hought he was doing

She miled broadly perhap ubited of a being apprehended of explained rather sheeps his that result y inted to take a photograph triorn borg Impossible the ecurity their explained. He did not even know it Porg was practisms on one of the court of not and besides no one of allowed in without identification All rights he said she yould take a photograph of the club.

He igreed with a smite the girl got or plotograph and went her way even a the officer turned to me and said. They all to burny during the Wimbledon fortnight mate. It happens to be be toot them.

Wimbledon lever has taken root It is a second malady afflicting this country in mid-lune and working it ell up to epidemic proportions in he fir t week of July. At all the inderground stations you cannot miss the Wimbledon posters, among those overtising the latest lames Bond

movie and an assortment of other such entertainment

They feature an outsize tennis rack et with the legend. Anyone for ten nis? and the details of the tournament proper below.

Wimbledon tever

The day I arrive at Heathrow the Immigration Officer seans my passport and asks the purpose of my visit. To cover Wimbledon, I tell him and I am through in seconds. As I walk through the Immigration Officer turns to a lady and asks her. Do you want an introduction to someone who wall be watching Wimbledon every day? She in turn looks up from her work and laughingly says. Not unless he has a spare tacket for me

Wimbledon tever

On my way from Southfields tation to the All England Club two young ters obviously returning home after a workout on a tennis court argue about which of them has a backband more akin to Borg's. I passed you at least twenty times today claim the younger boy skipping with delight. An yes says has companion. But you don't wear a headband like Borg does.

Wimbledon tever

A group of schoolchildren return home vards from the All I ngl ind Club with disappointment written all over their faces. They do not peak but my guess is that their search for either a ticket or an autograph has proved futile. A number of star have cone to settle, grudge game, to play

Not the least among them is John Patrick McFnroc who if he plays true to form as slated to meet detending champion Bjorn Borg in the final Last veit's Borg McEnroe encounter a sees with il has no doubt left a bitter taste in the American's mouth and he still be determined to erase memories of that detert

To that end his victory over Borg in lative us US. Open final must have been a strong tonic and McEnroe will be on the lookout for blood this year a pecially Swedish blood.

Jimmy Cornors is another one with a score to settle. He will have to overcome both if he is to achieve his ambition of repetiting his 1974 victory it Wimbledo'i Connors sceded third this year does not foresee any major problems in his quarter of the draw where Woftek I ibak Jose I uis Clerc and Bri in Teacher are the main danger. Should Connors reach the semitinal he will in all probability be pitted against Borg the man who defeated him in two successive Wimbledon and in 1977 and 1978. All this is more crystal gazing but it certainly promises exerting tennis.

Among the women the controver ril number two seed Hina Mindliko via our to prove that her position in the draw i indeed justified. She suftered a etback after her victory in the French Open losing to little known Kim Sinds in the BMW Women's Lawn Tennis Championships at Devonshire Park I isthourne. She won a total of only mine games in a topsy turvy encounter box inc out 06 60 63 Whether this has affected her confifence in her game of notal omething only time will prove but her determinition point to the fact that she capable of going places

Another top contender among the women who i having problems with her form is former champion Martina Naviatilova who it the time of writing has just been tamed 6.2.3 6.6 3 by a very confident and aggressive Andrea Lieger in the BMW tournament The effectivescent Mrs. I vonne Goolagong Cawley the holder of the women's imples title will not be competing this year.

And Wimbledon will be the poorer tor it



Another view

GEORGE K GEORGE from New York

PRFDICTIONS are hard to make especially in men's tennis today because any one of the first 50 could upset a couple of the top ten and change the complexion of an enture tournament. It happened last month at Forest Hills, New York, as Vitas Gerulaitis and John McEnroe got knocked out in their very first outings It happened again a few days ago in Paris, when McEnroe and Connors were forced out of the quarter finals. In the finals unsmil ing Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia stretched expressionless Bjorn Borg for three hours and 13 minutes in a five set thriller which could have gone either way

The million dollar question is whether Bjorn Borg is still good enough to win another Wimbledon title his sixth straight Before the Fiench Open there were several rumours flying around and some even implied that Borg has lost his appetite for competitive tennis Some experts' felt that his skills had started wearing out. On the other hand, till the semi finals of the same tournament, most of them were positive that Chris Evert Lloyd was going to regain the title But the superb display of Hana Mandlikova against (hris in the semis and her ultimate triumph seem to have changed their mind But a fair analysis of the track record of the players and their talents and temperament, prompts one to pick Brog and Chris Evert as the projected champions of Wimbledon 1981

Bjorn Borg is back to win He had a fairly long lavoif after his first round deteat at his home clay of Monte Carle by Victor Pecci Earlier in the teason, he had a few other surprises as well he had ended 1980 by losing to Mc I nroe in the U.S. Open final and to Ivan Lendl in the Swiss Open He opened 1981 by defeating McEnroe in New York, in the Volvo Grand Prix Then McEnroe beat him in the semi final in Toionto after an 18 point tie breaker And later in Milan Then Rolf Gehring of West Germany beat him in Brussels in the opening round in straight sets He lost to Pecci because of a shoul der injury and was forced to a three and a half week rest

Almost for two months he was out of competition Some headlines even said that his career was all over Some speculated that after his marriage he lost the passion for tennis and was thinking of settling down to start a family According to some, he had just become lazy



Kathy Rinaldi-a wild-card entry

Actually, Borg was suffering from a common ailment called "ten nis shoulder" from which he had suffered during the 1977 U S Open The only treatment was last year he had withdrawn from the Swedish Davis Cup team due to the same affliction The only remedy is rest But he was in time for the French Open, which should be the morale booster he badly needed after the layoff

Why is he likely to win? The answer lies in the fifth set at Paris It was a neck and neck duel till then Suddenly Borg slowed down the pace changing the forehand and the serve Then he wore out his opponent with his magic weapon-consistency He had done the same at Wimbledon last year He just comes alive in critical moments His main opponents, McEnroe, Connors and Lendl proved in New York and Paris that they just could not do it like Borg

Before the French Open Borg

Before the French Open Borg said "The year begins in Paris" Indeed it has But will it end in New York as in the past four years? Or will he at last win the coveted Grand Slam? It is too early to say But, barring serious injury, it should be Bjorn Borg at Wimb ledon

In the women's division, Chris Rvert Lloyd should come through She first won the title in 1974 Billie Jean King recovered it in the following year (her sixth singles title since 1966) and Chris Evert regained it in 1976 Last year, she made the finals but Evonne Goola gong was the surprise winner Mrs Cawley regained the title after nine years. While Mr Chris Lloyd is trying to recapture it for the third time, the 1978 and '79 champion, Martina Navratilova would like to get it back too. With Tracy Austin's injury and long layoff, there seems to be only one thing between them and the title Hana Mandlikova

Hana Mandlikova is probably the most talented, versatile and interesting player in women tennis today She had a bad year in 1980 But with Betty Stove's coaching, she has recently won the Australian and French Open and finished second in the US Open-all in the past twelve months At 19, "she has it all," as Chris Evert puts it "She has a lot of power. She moves well She has got topspin and slice Still, she may not beat Chris Evert at Wimbledon Champions like Evert do not let it happen twice in a row A recent injury almost threatened her participation in Wimbledon She says that she will play even with a broken leg If she is fit, she must win

Martina Navratilova continues to be unsteady Younger players like Tracy, Andrea and Hana bug her a lot and she expres es her urritation so often

As this goes to Press Tracy has played and won only one match on



Scene Wimbledon 80 Will this be repeated?





grass after her back injury. Still she is seeded as no. 3 behind Hana and over Martina. It has infuriated Martina, and Trics, who played only three tournaments this year agrees that the seeding has been unfair. It is too early to assess Tracs's form But the long layoff is bound to affect her game. Andrea Jaeger needs time to mature.

The other seeds capable of upsets may be Sylvia Hanika and Bettina Bungee So is 14 year old Kathy Rinaldi a wild card entry to the tournament. The little eighth grider who plays in professional tournaments as an amateur upset Dianne Fromholtz and Ann Smith at the French Open before being beaten by Mandlikova.

Out of the top 22 men of the ATP computer ranking 16 have been seeded Harold Solomon (ATP 7), Fliot Teltscher (11) Johan Kriek (16) Adriano Panatta (18), Eddie Dibbs (19) and Thomas Smid have been left out Whereas in the women's section out of the top WIA ranked players only Green Stevens and Ann Smith have been excluded Billie fran King did not

enter the competition

The dark horses to watch? Victor Pecci Brian Teacher and Mel Purcell probably Purcell no 239 a year ago is no 28 now, next to Vijay Amritraj Brian Feacher has jumped from 23 to 12 and Pccci, who dropped down from no 10 to 22 have given some splendid per formances of late Purcell has no veneration for idols and seems to be quite a lot more at home on I uropean courts Twenty two year old Argentinean, Jose Luis Clerc, predominantly a clay court player, Yannick Noah of France and American Gene Meyer also should be watched clovely They could ruin some of the top seeds easily

As of May 11 Vijay Amritraj is no 27 in the ATP list A month carlier the Indian star was 24 (One's heart goes out for this fine young man whose life ambition is Wimbledon This time he faces Jan Khodes in the first round What an irony of history! No one outside lidia may bet on him None of the other Indian players come in the top 50 and even miracles cannot be worked in their case

County Cricket Review

Sussex continue to lead the way in style

ASHIS RAY reports from London

THE John Player League and the Schweppes County Championship have been prominently in the picture in the week under purview. In the Sunday competition, Sussex continue to show the way having scored three wins from five matches with the others ending in no results by virtue of which they have accumulated sixteen points.

Keith Fielcher century nivari



Sometset in second place have twelve points from one less outing, with I seek and Gloucestershire in is many encounters collecting ten points. But the story would be incomplete without a reference to the innings of 69 not out and 63 not out played by Gehan Men dis and Imran Khan respectively for Sus ex in the march with Lancashire As a result of this the leaders in corded 160 runs in only 24 overs, and that after the score at one stage read 57 for two. Not astonishingly, the gallop ensured a win for Sussex on a better run rate as the march could nor so the full distance due to rain

In the championship two more rounds of materies have been witnessed in the first set of kime. Cloude tershire helped by chaul of five for 61 in the fourth innings by John Childs and early of 71 and 74 in the match by Zaheer Abbas defeated York hire by 117 run. Su sex got the better of Lancashire by in inning and 67 run assisted as they were by an unbeaten knock of 135 by Chris Livine and figures of ix for 21 stoped out both medium pacer. Lin. Greig in Clive Hoyd, side, second venture.

In the Worcestershire I ex confrontation the latter despite a fine innings of 127 from skipper Keith Fletcher lost out by six wickets with Glen Turner for the victors compiling 101 hi minety first clas centur And Surrey in beating Glamory in by 124 runs had to think Sylve for Clarke who hit an unconquered one hundred -with seven sixes in only 62 minutes, which made it the fastest century of the eason so far after ensuring six wickets for 66 run

Among the drawn rames mention must be made of the Dealsyshire Warwickshire conflict where leading the side in the absence of Willis Denni Amiss that old war horse scored 127 and 109 hi second instance of two hundreds in a match

In the subsequent games Surreys was a notable win over Worcestershire as it carried the County to the top of the table with 58 points, four better than Notis and Sussex. The Australians however struggled to a draw with Derbyshire where, in any case the hero was New Zealander John Wright who on the opening day of the three day affair struck a brilliant 144 in his team's total of 218 for nine

Player of the week

Graeme Wood



AGAIN, there were several instances of individual splendour But once more, on the basis of the adage that pyrotechnics at the "domestic" level cannot be given precedence over performances in the international plane, Graeme Wood's showing in the second and third one days with England must take pride of place

This dapper, slightly thick set left handed opener cut a very sorry figure during the tour of India in 1979 as people back home will well remember Indeed, it may be recalled that he for atured in only the first two Tests and his best effort amounted to 33

His misery did not terminate there On his return home he was dropped from the Western Austra ha side, but he fought back gallant ly to not merely make the squad for the Centenary Test at Lord's, but to carve out a hundred on the occasion. A century against New Zeal hid followed on his return home, and fin illy he put an end to a bad patch by topping three figures versus India in the Adelaide Test.

In the fifty five over games against England at Edgbaston and Headingley—both of them won by Australia—he was in the limelight in no uncertain manner. He compiled 55 and 108, and that not only indicated handsome consistency, but a safe and solid approach to the game.

Wood is no Greg Chappell or Kim Hughes not as yet at least He is, perhaps, not even as good as Allan Border But he is a utility man of high order and in a side lacking experience and at the same time desperately searching for a good start, his value can by no means be undermined Also, he is, possibly, one of the worst judges of a run in international cricket, but the blundering in this respect is more than compensated for by the quantum of runs he produces Indeed, great expectations surround him as he converges on the "real" thing—the six Test matches this summer

Australia pull it off

ASHIS RAY reports from London

N June 4 the tourists put in to but is is almost customary in a one ity match at Lord's started discreasely losing four wickets for 60 high included the exit of Kim Hughes to Robin Lickman But Allin Bor is improving intelligently and inded by the tall and supple Martin Ent curried the score to 134 at mich tage the latter left chight at it dwicket off Both im for 28 From the tage is wirds the recovery was fried and Au traffic finished on 10 for even at the conclusion of their most with Border unbesten on a taghtful 73

For England Jackman ended up is most economical bowler coaced is mly 27 runs in his eleven over for 1 it one wicker while Both in with 1 in of two for 39 emerged with the 1 ir average. He was however north or piece nor penetrative Unipiestion his hear till to reconnicted dimagic.

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Australia nance uphi beath ere 11111 prime to the intention of the test to be to picalized for two vecks during fuch period he will subjected to ntechling antibiotics, which have left him gaunt and haggard. But pressed into action in this encounter he provided the only moment of inviety for Infland when in the twency seventh ver of the English innings he had couch who registered a plendid 55 aught at slip. Three balls later he ir apped Mike Gatting leg before for no ore Despite the fact that he bowled ith a hortened run and it only half his normal pace, at no stage was he mastered a his analy is of 113232 ndic ites

He licked support and other than him Rodney Hogg proved to be the ole restrictive bowler Geoff I awson linky and quick lacked direction while Trevor Chappell and Ray Bright did not really seen to be the classic entain, the experienced I high himen

In the event Good Boycott cheerally helped himself to in unconjucted 75 and the Min of the Match ward. David 60 cr. rived up a suit behaved for the 50 bill, while other comment in a the fall of the urth wicket scaled the asce with a linght six at the expense of Bright Ingland in actual fact hoisted their tal to 212 in 514 overs.

OODNESS ME! Did I say the Aussies were hardly a match for the Englishmen when it comes to be mited overs cricket. What a bloomer! I it it least I have the consolation of tenns in the company of those who taked the Australian barmen in arrect and assay of them.

counterparts in America and the team as one that would undergo schooling in the art of one day cricket in the three match serie with Ingland. These remarks I am atraid go to the discredit of the horry torty of the English Press.

To be honest though when the Australians scrambled to a solitary run victory in the second last delivery of the second one day at Edgbaston. I rated the triumph as an upset not unexpected since the over limit game is cricketing uncertainty at its best and the most uninitiated and unseasoned of sides can on their day turn the tables on more funcied opponent

But it was a notable win a fighting performance and one that boosted the tours to morale from a rather low ebb to a new peak. After all right from the time their sojourn began in Sri I ankant has been quite a battle to strike

normal form

Anyhow on a whimsical day in Biamun ham when rain interrupted the xi tralian innings for more than in hour and a resumption was made possible by the new massive covers utilised at the ground concerned—a revolutionary concept put into practice by the Warwickshire Country Cricket Club—Graham Yallop and Graeme Wood with a century stand for the first wicket put Australia on the road to a decent total

Y illop top cored with 63 while the opener notched up an elegant 55 There was also a uperb innings of 30 from skipper kim Hughe and Fingland were set a target of 250 for a

triumph

It looked within the Inglishmen's grasp for they had the experience a well is the expertise for a sizeable run chase, and the welct too offered very little by way of movement. But it had pace, it was a lot faster than the track at Lord's where the first clash took place, and soon England's three best batsmen, namely Geolf Boycott Graham Gonch and David Gower were back in the pavilion braten and bowled in almost identical fashion by heer velocit. All three were late on the stroke and left a gap between bat and pid.

That then cleared the deck as it were for the less renowned souls and young Jim Love with a charming in nings of 43 did impre-s immeasurably. But it was Mike Gatting dropped twice who took the Man of the Match award with a contribution of 96. That however did not stave off defeat as in the final over of the England innings bowled by Dennis Fillee three wickets went down in the space of five balls—two of the victims to the Western Australian and the fourity is asked to disgrace and the fourity is asked to disgrace in a distance of many is filled ended up is rent ideas.

with stirring figures of three for 36 More important, he had done it for his country when they desperately needed a shot in the arm

Indeed the 27 year old Hughes now growing a beard that hardly suits him did not hide his feelings when he stated after the match "We needed that win for the sake of the tour and to give our side confidence. He, moreover hid a special word of praise for Terry Alderman who emerged as the least expensive bowler in terms of runs conceded in the Ingland venture.

Yet the sensation was still to come Put in to bat by I in Botham in the last encounter Australia again through the efforts of Wood and Yallop com piled a reasonable score of 236 for eight in their 55 overs. Wood this time distinguished himself with a delightful 105 before he was run out. The other left hunder met the same tate after notching up 44. In fact, the only critic ism one can put forward regarding the Australians display in the three one days relates to their running between the wickets which to say the least was horrible and untutored and cost them a number of wickets. In Fig. lands reply Boycott left early but Gooch and Gatting comfortably took the scorc to 71 when a collapse ensucd sending the hosts crashing to 106 for 6 from where they never recovered Peter Willy of cour e tried his hardest to stem the rot with a fluent 1 registration of 42 runs but it was a always a losing proposition and Eng land folded up for 165

Capitali ing on the conditions to the full Rodney Hogg Trevor Chap pell and Alderman bowled magnificently Hogg a thorn in the back of the Englishmen two and a half years ago in Australia grabbed four for 29 Chappell three for 31 and Alderman two for 19 But the Man of the Match citation quite right went to the player who had praed the way for the bowlers assualt. Wood

Later a sublime Hughes hard bressed for non-cek said. The best is test to come the added 'The problems are as I was a curr We will be a better to de than a one day side. He do said. I don't that I have een in A i tralian side come to grips with one day cricket as well as we have done.

But as the saving goes one man's neat is another man poi on It was a bitter pill that I in Both im still look ing for his first break in international cricket is ciptain hid to swillow True he had emphased before the one days at a strong to underestimate the Ausies Lick up eleven blokes from Bondi Beach pitch them into a Fest match and you can be sure they ll give you one hellove fight. But that was surely diplomacy on the part of the English skipper. In his heart of he irts he must have believed that the limited overs contest with Australia was a real opportunity for redemption. His opponents obviously had diffe

FERDINAND E MARCOS CUP BOXING

The best talent on show

LTOGETHER twenty four nations Aparticipated in the inaugural Pres ident Ferdinand E Marcos Cup international boxing tournament held re cently at Manila This was the biggest amateur meet since the Montreal Olympics since Moscow had been hit by the boycott It goes without saying that the cream of world amateur box ing was present at Manila's Rizal Memorial Colosseum

All told, 123 fighters converged on the capital city of the Philippines but it was not just the sheer weight of numbers that went to make the meet a success It was the fierce spirit of competition that made it distinctive, the spirit in which each bout was fought with boxers asking no quarter and giving none. Although the tourna ment had been postponed on no less than three occasions everything progressed smoothly but the strain took its toll Makati Mayor Nemesio Yabut the head of the national tederation suffered a massive heart attack the day ifter the classic ended

The Amateur Boxing Association of the Philippines made every effort to en use the access of the tournament They provided one way air fare free board and lodging. In this light one wonders why Indian boxers were not esent to the meet. After all four boxers from Nep il made the trip despite the fact that the sport is comparitively new in the Himaliyan Kingdom According to the organisers in invitation was a need to the Indian author ities who fined to respond in time Hid India ceen on the scene they could at lear have done well in the lighter citegories. India should take a le son from Holland which country sent only one boxer and a coach, albeit ifter begging to funds from the Dutch public Surprisingly enough their only boxer fini hed with a silver medal-The young man Vauramsdony Pedro proved that he is a talented pugilist in the final putting up a good show ig unst Soviet Vladimii Malmik in the middleweight category

In all there were twelve categories involving 131 bouts. These bouts were conducted by qualified officials of the world body. All the bouts yielded outright results except two. In the 54 kg category Filipino Leopoldo Cin tancio of the white team (the Philip pines fielded four teams) injured Antonio Martinez of Mexico cutting him above his evebrow. The referee rightly stopped the bout and declared

incident, an unfair decision on the part of the referee caused several raised evebrows in the stadium. In the light welterweight category, Kenyan Alı Athuman was punishing South Korean Kim Dong Gill but to everyone's sur prise the bout was awarded to the Korean and the Kenyan could only look on dazed as his opponent's arm was raised in victory. The general secretary of the world body who was present at this bout also expressed his amazement The organisers too felt that they had been let down but that was not the end of the story. When the korean went up for his prize, the capacity crowd of 6 000 began to jeer

Each time the Rumanian employed the flick and jab, his opponent reacted as though it was a wrestling match and went into a clinch Mexico also got i gold through Justo Ibelles who beat US boxer Rodney Watts, a talanted black fighter The Mexican was very aggressive, moved fast and was very clean in all three of his bouts while the American boxer, who was the more powerful of the two had a tendency of holding his opponent Each time he did this, his opponent hooked at will It appeared that the American's sole intention was to knock the Mexican out but the latter's artistry won through Watts tried his punches be



Heavy weight Woodrow Clark being congratulated for his victory

him while the Kenvin got the applause. Some spectators even went to the extent of charing the latter and taking him round the stadium on a lap of honour

The Philippines started their quest for gold in the pinweight category with a bout between two brothers an occurrence which has never taken place in world boxing before Gil Jimili the elder of the two camember of the White term) was clearly the superior of the two but obviously did not want to inflict any punishment on his younger brother Nelson Gil won the first gold for his country

The 45 kg category saw yet the red team snapping up its first gold the second for the Philippines Efren labanaz with his powerful punches attacked like a puma to win on points over computition Josef Baja of the white team

Rum inia got its first gold through Titoin Constanting who defeated That land's Somyot Mee Mongkol. The Thai boxer tought like a bull but was sadly the Filipino the winner. In the other Hicking in the brains department

cause he had carlier knocked out the best Lilipino boxer. Reuben Mares in the semitinal but did not enjoy the same success in the finals

Kenvis Isavah Ikhoni got the bet ter of South Korean Lee Hyun Ju in i the light welterweight class. The Ko rean boxer was brainless while the Kenyan moved around the ring like a panther so it was not surprising that the former was hammered into submission. After the bout was over the Kenyan lifted his opponent and rein stated him on his corner tool since he was unable to walk

Terry Marsh of Brit un won the 67 kg gold, while Cuba's Exequiel Blanco emerged victorious in the 71 kg cates, ory and Denmark's Michael Madsen reigned in the light heavyweight class The most attractive class, the heavyweight was dominated by Wood row Clark of the USA who emulated the great los Frazier with his clean style of fighting beating his greatest rival Ucuvy Eremeey of the Soviet Union in the final

ACHINTYA SAHA Manila

Larry Holmes takes his revenge

GEORGE K GEORGE reports from New York on why the Holmes-Spinks championship bout proved a knockout in more ways than one

ON the evening of I riday June 12 Larry Holmes went into the Joe I outs Arena looking for a knockout When he left in half an hour he had performed three technical knock outs—on Leon Spinks on Howard Cosell of ABC Television and on him elf

Holmes had always wanted to be the people's champion Ironically enough, when he seemed to be on the road to becoming one with a splendid tout against unpopular Leon Spinks he betrayed his true self by virtue of a temper tantrum vented at contender (serry Cooney, thereby knocking him off out of favour in the minds of thousands of boxing tans

Knocking out Spinks was not very hard Spinks had done most of it himself even before entering the are not Once inside the ring he did the wrong things at the wrong time and completed the process. True he did prepare a little harder for this fight than usual But the damage wrought has reckless lifestyle and years of drugs could not be undone not a few weeks. Besides he was facing a man

who keeps himself in the best possible shape with the full support of his family and triends

Spinks went into this fight with his third manager and his third trainer. He had just broken up with his wife. Nova after six years of marriage. His relationship with his brother Michael has not been cordial for a while. Emotionally, he was at a low ebb.

As if these setbacks were not enough he sustained a serious iose injury during training six weeks prior to the fight. His camp tried to keep it a secret, but I arry Holmes found out about it just before the fight. During the fight, he went all out to punch spinks in the face.

The former champion with a moder ate 10.2.2 record looked teally worried before the right. We is it the revelation of the nose injury that bothered him? Or was it the realisation of the lack of preparation on his part? One would never know.

It looked is if he was not sure whether to win or lose. His divorce verdict was that he would have to give Nova \$300 a month, but if he won the tight he would have to pay \$500. Some people joking about it before the fight aid that I eon might purposely avoid the second alternative.

Did he really want to become a celebrity again? Who knows? Spinks makes no secret of the fact that he hates to be in the limelight. I don't think the public understands me he says. When you get to be a celebrity you are not supposed to do anything that is not perfect. But you're not God so you con't be perfect. I con Spinks is just a human being.

That is exactly what he was that night just a human being. It takes a little more than just a human being to dethrone a hard working and hard hitting champion. As Holmes moved to the irena his brother shouted. Third found right hand. That was the way it would be. The first round belonged to Holmes. He invited Spinks to come it him. Spinks obliged. He kept charging like a bull trying to go into Holmes. It looked as it he had forgotten that he was trying to go into a man 12 pounds he avier three inches taller and with a five and a half linch, advantage. In reach

In the second round there we some confusion when 25 seconds before time the bell rang. Holmes stopped but Spinks kept hitting him. Leter it was revealed that the bell ringer had hit the button by accident. This unex pected development caught. Holmes off guard and Spinks took full advantage of it, apparently winning the round.

In the third round they looked even and it looked as if an exciting and well contested bout was in the making Suddenly one lapse from Spinks and the bout was decided Spinks dropped his hand momentarily as Holmes was withdrawing to the corner Immediate ly the latter dashed forward with a fatal right Spinks ended up on the ropes and Holmes nailed him with a flurry of about 15 consecutive punches Spinks dropped but dragged himself up before the count of 10 But the damage had been done

Holmes pinned him in the corner and kept on hitting Even before the referee stopped the fight, Spinks' corner had thrown in the white towel The referee said later that he did not see the towel anyway and that he had stopped the fight on his own "I was trying to stop it" Michael Spinks said "I never tried to stop a fight before I can't believe that it came over me but

Holmes cooling off after a hard workout



I saw he could get hurt "

Spinks paid the price for being wild and crazy in such an early round It looked like a desperate, suicidal effort If he had been lucky, that approach could have worked as it did against Ali in 1978 But in Hoolmes he had a tougher and better prepared opponent The lucky opening for Holmes came too early in the fight and he cashed on it

This was certainly the best per formance by Larry Holmes He looked a lot more polished and assured Has his new trainer 69 year old Eddie Futch made the difference. Holmes thinks he has A couple of months ago Holmes had fired his trainer Richie Grachetti and had accused him of betraving him Futch who was at one time Joe Lrizier's trainer slowed

down Holmes pace

The second and the third knockouts came during the post fight interview ABC Television covering the fight had plud + 2.5 million dollar tee. The commentator we Howard C Amore s more rimous in terrore il spore easter er friendly interacts that of acell is ilwis trendly in thill t praise is fir a winner are corcerned he isked Gerr 🔻 🙃 😘 😘 1 contender to join in soore came to the microphon and mething met Holme character of further v llim,

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Leon Spinks: The champion who ruined himself

GEORGE K GEORGE

HE still can t take the jokes about his missing front teeth. They make him cry like a baby when he is alone He still sucks his thumb. He is till given to temper tintrum but apolo gises immediately. He works hard in the gym when he feels like it. But when he should be in hed, he is seen in discos and bars in the neighbouring towns. Sometimes he even drives to the next State to e-cape the attention of his trainer. That is Leon Spinks

At 24 he matched for himself the voild mest cover d individual honur and then relinquished it within month. In the few months he was the orld champion he made a mestimself physically and mentally

He doe not trust invood it s longer. And that includes his pre-ent minager letty Sawyer who had aved him from tinuncial ruin. He are being controlled or restricted even on the night 1 (world tatle bout 1 war) to be free 1 Says 'I aim the tring it this kime to of nore diminds nide on me Im a amon bing indo n beini tang tantikeni Twisju tying teliye ind bet hum in beini t ike live But I can't do unything without a writeup about Leor Ibi and Lecr That The name the motored th name they stimped on act I donthink it is right

He is talking about the name Neon Spinks a nickname the Pres chose to describe his off the rine Thabits As a kid he was known a Cool Teon Gooty he a rate ast ifter he became the world champion. He spent more of his championship | days in courts and bars. He just gooted it completely

For Leon Spinks boxing is the only refuge from the terrible ghetto he was born in When I came out of the Marines and turned pro-it was life and death for me. It I do in a make it I knew what I had to so back to visit viy u in for me I came from peverts and I never vant to go back to

But the from is did he wants to continue his chetto litestyle. Joday he roccof the most talented boxers in ne world. He is very athletic and c tremely skiltul with his hands. Only inc thing stood between him and the world title his night life

Still I eon spinks is a simple hum in temp. There is no menines, and mal ce in this young man The media is not in love with him because he is not made up for them like Ali or Sugar Ray I con ard Even Larry Holmes tries in his clumsy style to act like a star-

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His father left the family and Leo dropped out of school from the tenth grade. One of the neighbours who felt sorry watching I con being beaten in by earsone asked him to accompa-Tim to the local Capit Gym to lev boxing By then Leon had lost his to front teeth in a treet fight but it v better late than never to learn sci defence

Michael Spinks joined him is sparring partner but Leon was 1 superior to his brother in boxing skill He practiced hard because it was question of survival. He also knew the it was the only opportunity for him of become someone and disprove h father

"I wanted to do something I wi tired of being a nobody he says () having nothing of having nowhere

go Ail my trienus were pecoming nope pushers and drug addicts I knew I had to do something with my life that my people had never done I wanted the name Spinks to mean something herides dirt" he recalls Marines and became a member of the all Marine boxing team. The discipline of the armed forces gave him the dedication and application that he had so far lacked. He fought 185 amateur

bouts and lost only seven In 1974 he won the bronze medal in the World Games in Cuba The following year he bagged a silver in the Pan Am Games That got him a place in the US Olympic team at Montreal He won a gold and so did Michael Spinks in a lower weight division

The Olympic gold opened a whole new world to Leon. He got an early discharge from the Marines and promoter Lewis initiated him to profession al boxing. The C.B.S. Television net work covered six of his first seven probouts.

PINKS was very lucky to have been associated with Lewis otherwise he may not have got a shot at Ali in his eighth pro bout His record in the first seven bouts was not at all impressive. The first five opponents were virtual unknowns. The fights against Scott Ledoux and Alfio Righetti were unimpressive. Still Lewis, who had promoted several fights managed to match him up with the greatest. The outcome was beyond everyone a imagination Leon Spinks dethroned the king.

The modest and easy going Spinks couldn't cope up with the pressures of instant stardom. He lost the rematch to Ali and once again his life went downhill Careless habits and a lack of will to train regularly ruined his career.

He lost to Gerrie Coetzee in a first round knockout The reason was total lack of preparation After initial set backs he knocked out Alfredo Evange lista in a five round bout Then he drew with Eddie Lopez who was penalised a point

By then Leon Spinks came to his senses. He knew that his undercard bout on the night of Ali s fight with Larry Holmes was his last chance of survival. He was pitted against top ranked WBC contender Bernardo Mecardo. I was way down at the bottom. Spinks admits "But luckily I was still a household name and I got the opportunities to come back "If he had lost to Evangelista, that could have been the end."

Many thought it would be Once again Leon went into the ring as "Neon Spinks', a name he had earned by then Two nights before the fight he was seen in the Las Vegas discos Yet, he won in style It was the best bout of the evening The people who paid hundreds of dollars to see Ali's suicide kot their money's worth from Leon Spinks

His biggest problem is being in shape for a fight Before the first Alifight he would sneak out regularly and hang out in the local bars. He would close the door turn on the stereo music and then leave through the second storey window. The trainer had to follow the footprints in the snow and locate him. So Solomon had to instruct the local bartenders to phone him if they saw Leon.

But the time has now come for Spinks to take life more seriously Whether he regains his title or not depends on his ability to come to terms with himself

The moment of glory for Spinks-after defeating Muhammad Ali



Tokyo Asian Athletics Meet

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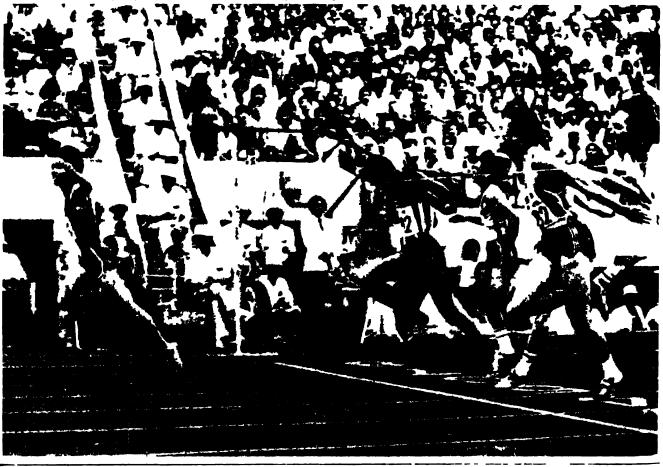


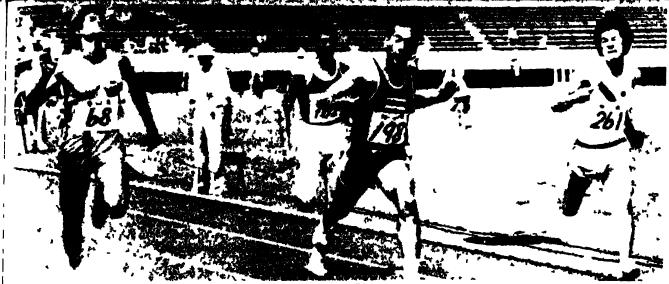
China's Wu Feng leaps a record-breaking 5.9 metres to win the women's long jump gold



China s Zau Jianhua clears the bar at יום בי metre_ high to create אירו א As זוי mark. The previous record was held by his compatriot Ni Zaiqin

Thailand a Suchart Jaesraparp (left) wins the men a 100 m dash in style-clocking 10 52-seconds





Thailand's Prapant Snsathom (198) outpaces Sabir Ali (86) Oatar's Abed Omar (162 behind Prapant) and Japan's Mitsugu Ogata (261) to win the 100 m



Winners of the women's 400 m raise their hands on the victory stand. From left Malaysia's Saik Oik Cum (thi d) Junko Yushida of Japan (first) and in pino Lydia de Vega (second).



Gopal Saini (53) in action in the men s 5 000 m finals. He is followed by South Korean. Park Won Keun (85) and Japanese Yasunon Watanabe (221) and Masami Qtsuka (22)

CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

He hit more than 500 sixes

In each of four season, he hit more than 50 sixes. In his career he hit more than 100 sixes about a quarter of his total a kregate of 12 all run-

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Armstrong was taken off but oon returned. The Somerset hitter placed the first ball quietly to leg, the next till went out of the ground. By the finic the hard hitter was out he had scored 86 out of 102 in 62 minutes and the game had been pulled around. Somerset e entuilly winning bione wicket. The secon sixes in his 86 cime off two consecutive over by Armstrons, 0.46610 and 0.66666 The first of these over ended one pell of bolding and the other began another spell, but the fact remains that 10 consecutive ball, which Armstrong bowled to the somerset bats man cost 47 runs in one of the most devastating on laughts made or a bowler. Two years later on the ame pround at Wells, the bowler on the receiving end was Fent illustrious Frink Woolley

The Somer et tar had already hit two sixes out of the ground when Woolley playing in his last season, was brought on to see what he could do. His first five ballwere swept for six - tour of them right outof the ground, and three were lost. This led to a shortage of balls and no sooner had the secretary produced a replacement than another was needed

The batsman tried to despatch the last ball like the rest the believe. Woolley sent him an easy one on purpo e but tailed to get hold of it and it tell near the sight screen, where a helder got a hand to it but dropped it a single being taken. When out he had scored of including seven sixes. In the second innings he scored 37 with four sixes, making 11 in the match, an extraor, dinary proportion for a match aggregate of

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Question - Who was the hard hitting man from Somerset?

seconding to Writer, the most runs cored off in eight ball over in firt class. cricket iro. 4. three ixes and tour tours by a Welt Indian K. M. Edwards off a Lind New Zealand in 1969 Governor General Mixersus Welt Indies

About \$NZ 11 000 was rused for the Sir Frank Worsell Memorial Fund by this match in which Ian Chappell and Doug Walter were guest player in the home ade along ath tive West Indians (Chap pell vial top scorer in each innings of the Go emors XI with 50 and 72)

The over from which Edward -more noted as a medium pace bowler than butsman hammered 34 was bowled by a West Indian more noted as bat man than bowler in fact the expensive bowlerway opening but for the West Indies on the 1966-69 tour of Australia and New Zea. land and in the Australian Tests finished vith a batting average second only to that of Sobers (47.44 to 49)

Question Mho was the West Indies play er who figures in Wisden records for his costly over in New Zealand and for a second wicket stand with Rohan Kanhai in a Test match in Australia?

A West Indies star set a world record for in opening batsman when he hit 13 sixes in an innings of 259 for Hampshire against Sussex in 1975. He hit 13 sixes in another innings when he scored 273 not out for D. H. Robins. XI versus Pakistanis at Eastbourne in 1974

Question Who was the West Indian whirl wind?

Another famous international hit 13 sixes in an innings but his 13 are the more remarkable as they were scored before lunch

Question

Can you name him?

Only one player has hit more than 1 sixes in an innings. In New Zealand in 1963 a batsman hit 15 sixes in a match Wellington

Question Who holds the re cord for most sixes in an in nings?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1 Nottinghamshire's George Gunn wh played for England in the 1907 Oh and 1911-12 Test series in Australia. The English captain whose ill healil paved the way for Gunn's Test debut when he was on a health trip t Australia was A O Jones A divertin story is told of the day Gunn decided t play swashbuckle just to sho em i he put it. In June 1913 at Iront Bride Yorkshire went in first against Not tinghamshire and scored 471 leaving Nottinghamshire with only a draw to play for Gunn scored 132 in six hour so wilfully slow that the Yorkship bowlers taunted him asking. Hast look thi strokes. George?—And Gunn is plied Oh you'd like to see some strokes would you? Well next inning I'll show you some Yorkshire de clared their second innings closed in I Nottinghamshire's total when rain washed out the day was 129 for three The scoreboard preserved in silk i Trent Bridge reads

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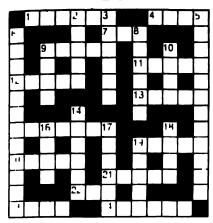
Gunn scored his 109 in 58 minute

- 2 Each made a century in the simi innings-George 133 and his son George Vernon Gunn 100 not out this first century) This achievement Birmingham in 1931 provides the on' instance of father and son each hitting a century in the same innings of a first class match. George Gunn wi then 53
- Frank Mann England captain again i South Africa in 1922 23 and George Mann 1948 49 The son also captained England against New Zealand in 194"
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- 5 Colin Cowdrey When Peter May be cause of illness missed the last tw Tests of England's 1959 60 series in the West Indies Cowdrey took over the captaincy and won the two tosses H then won the five tosses against South Africa in England in 1960 As captalli of England in the first two Tests of the 1961 seriës against Australia in Fina land Cowdrey again won the two to ses making his tally nine successful calls in a row

Crossword

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- 1 Lillee the menace (6)
- 4 To hit hard (4)
- 7 Japanese T T player covered with circles (3)
- 9 This catch went down (5)
- 11 Sham attack in boxing (5)
- 12 Prophet for an American hurdler (5)
- 15 Japanese T T player ends with and Egyptian god (7)
- 19 One mile runner (5)
- 20 To practice has a lot of condensed clouds (5)
- 21 Indian hockey international Surinder Singh (5)
- 22 To sin at Patiala (3)
- 23 Tess of the D Urberville's is upset by a tennis term (4)
- 24 Calcutta first division hockey player is in charge of studies (5 1)

DOWN

- 2 Shorten Nottinghamshire (5)
- 3 West Bengal s hysteria (6)
- 5 Mohun Bagan's dependable linkman (6 6)
- 6 Jimbo (5 7)
- 8 One of the participants of the race from Putney to Thort Lake (6)
- 9 Yugoslavia were the —for the last World Table Tennis (4)
- 10 This community produces good hockey players (4)
- 14 Small mean house begins an English cricketer (6)
- 16 Governs international athletics (1 1 1 1)
- 17 A damsel for an English cricketer (5
- 18 Illingworth's pet name (4)
- 19 They report sports events (5)

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QUESTIONS

- Who is Daniel Morelon?
- 2 A famous tennis superstar has said

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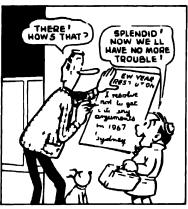












I have broken nearly every rule recommended by instruction books for the past 50 years. Guess who?

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- 3 Who won the last European football championship and when? Who were their opponents and what was the score?
- 4 In Moscow Viktor Saneyev (USSR) failed to win his fourth successive Olympic triple jump gold Who de throned him?
- 5 Who competed in Melbourne as a sprinter and later went on to become champion in marathon in another Olympics?

ANSWERS

1 S mulgied 08et tynemat 19ew 6 (AS2U) each Udask USSU) A Mamo Wolde (Ethiopia) He won the Semes 68et eit in the 19e6 Games

1 Famous French cyclist who won a total of three gold one silver and one bronze medals in the Olympics
2 Bjorn Borg in My life and game
3 West Germany 1980 Belgium 2 1

Question box

A K Hasan, Calcutta

Q is the batsman out if while taking a run, the fielder removes the bails with the ball in hand?

Å Yes T Chatterjee Kanpur

Q How many captains has India produced so far? Give their records A 1 C K Nayudu (lost 3 Tests out of 4) 2 Vizzy (lost 2 out of 3) 3 I A K Pataudi (lost one out of 3) 4 L Amarnath (won 2 lost 6 out of 15) 5 Vijay Hazare (won 1 lost 5 out of 14) 6 Vinoo Mankad (lost one out of 6) 7 Ghulam Ahmed (lost 2 out of 3) 8 Polly Umrigar (won 2 lost 2 out of 8) 9 Hemu Adhikari (one drawn out of one) 10 D K Gaekwad (lost all 4) 11 Pankaj Roy (lost the only one) 12 G S Ramchand (won 1 lost 2 out of 5) 13 N J Contractor (won 2 lost 2 out of 12) 14 M A K Pataudi (won 9 lost 19 out of 40) 15 Chandu Borde (lost the only one) 16 Ajit Wadekar (won 4 lost 4 out of 16) 17 Venkatraghavan (lost 2 out of 5) 18 S M Gavaskar (won 7 lost 2 out of 24) 19 B S Bedi (won 6 lost 11 out of 22) and 20 G R Vishwanath (lost one out of 2)

Prafulla Patna

Q What were the bowling figures of Shivlal Yadav on his debut?

A 22 5 6 49 4 and 15 4 4 32 3

Raju Calcutta

Q What is the Test bowling record of Salim Altaf?

A 4 001 balls 124 maiden overs 1 709 runs 46 wickets 37 15 average in 21 Tests with 4 for 11 as best bowling figures

Biswajit Joshi Sundargarh (Orissa)

Q Who has taken most numbers of catches in Test cricket basides W K?

A M C Cowdrey of England who in 114 l
Tests has held 120 catches

Manmath Samantray Cuttack

Q How many instances are there in which a batsman has carried his bat

throughout the innings?

A 22 (4 from England 9 from Australia 4 from South Africa 2 from West Indies 2 from New Zealand one from Pakistan

and none from India)
Alakesh Das Gauhati

 What are the Test batting records of Viv Richards and Greg Chappell and what

are their highest scores?

A Viv Richards 44 Tests 68 innings 4 n o 3969 runs 291 highest score 62 02 average 13 tons 16 half centuries and 3 zeroes Greg Chappell 67 Tests 119 innings 15 n o 5719 runs 247 n o highest score 54 99 average 18 centuries 28 half centuries 9 zeroes

Ravi Rangappa Durgapur

Q Kapil Dev s first Test victim M J Khan was caught by S M Gavaskar and his 100th Test victim also a Pakistani opener Taslim Arif was caught by C P S Chauhan Is it right or wrong? Who was his 50th Test victim?

A No his first victim was Sadiq Mohammad and the 100th orfe was Sikandar Bakht whom he clean bowled at Madras Bruce Yardley of Australia was his 50th victim

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Boris Schapiro

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Nowadays many of the better bridge books are being reprinted in paperback form – an excellent idea. One such is Advanced Play at Bridge by Hugh Kelsey It was first printed 13 years ago but the hands still seem refreshingly original eithough it is not quite as presented in the book try defending the following hand from the Well test.

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Last century gambit play enjoyed much success because on the whole defensive technique wan not good enough to cope with attacking threats and the combinative flair of aggressive players. However, the situation gradually changed

and now only the sophisticated gamblitretain any popularity among masters. Most of those in the so called classical open games beginning 1 P - K4 P - K4 have faded into the background with the discovery and perfecting of defence that take the sting out of White s initiative. The classic recipe for Black is to accept the material offered and then return it at the right moment for the sake of either positional equality or even better a advantage - a most depressing event to an ambitious conductor of the whith pieres Here is an old game showing the method at its best. The theory of thopening has advanced since then but the intory for the defender can still be seen as a nail in the coffin of romantic lines. White Jacques Mieses Black Geza Maroczy Danish Gambit (Minte Carlo 19 1 P - K4, P - K4, P - Q3 - Q4 P x P 5 B x Kt P P - Q3

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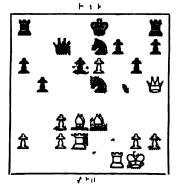
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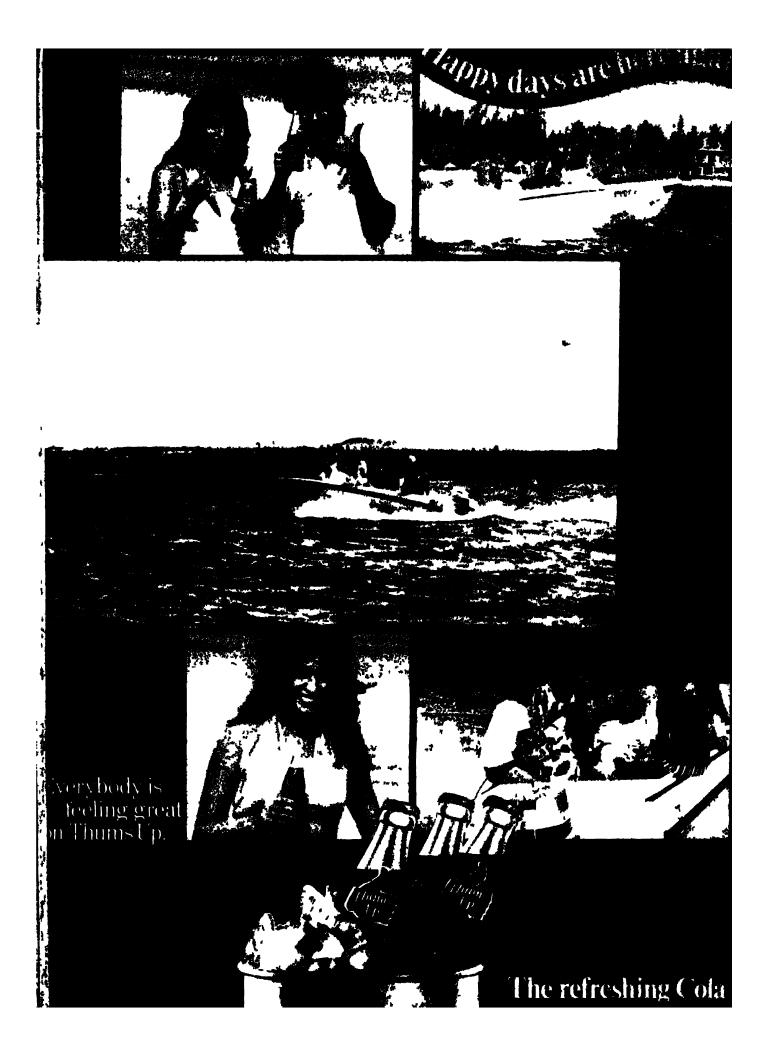
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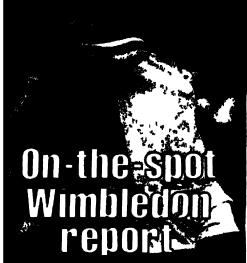
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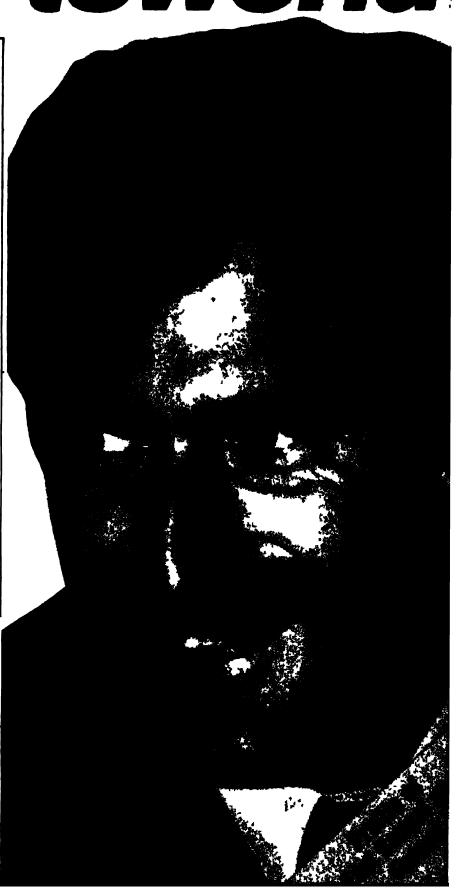
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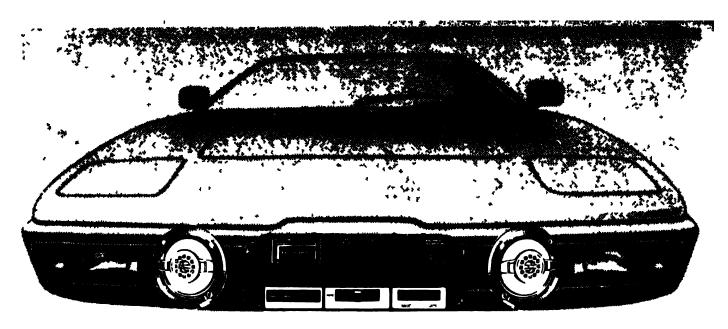


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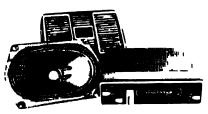
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Letters to the Editor

Hero worship

THIS is with reference of the letter by Mr G. Sethur iman in the May 27 issue where he states that Bjorn Borg is the greatest tenni player of all time and will remain so for mother 100 years. This is certainly hero worship. Comparing players of different errals improper In fact he him self has pointed out in his letter that no tennis player of the Seventies ein be compared with the players of the lattics and Sixtics. Hence it is unware to call.

Bork the greatest of all time. Again he state that McIntoe can never reach Borgs creatnes Well it i true that McI nroc doc not posses the accool temperiment of Bore but his potential is undoubtedly great. Mr Sethin imain also state, that the competition ficed by player of the part vir little when compared to the competition that Bork has to face. He are can pite of not con idering McInroe i erious ri il Who ele ne Bore neh rivil Connor Vilis Lendl indother. But the c ire only thandful Compac the with the some of the Sitic when we hid players like Liver Emerson New combe Roche Rocwill ind others. The competition then was certainly after And since Mr. Sethuruman has labelled born a the are itest on the balls of statistics especially Wimble don titles it sould be worth. mentioning that Rod I ever who had won four Wimble don title - mr sed the chain pionship from 196 to 1967 Hid he plied unely he would have picked up more title I mills to pro-c performance on bork performance on gris he has stated that the Swedish stir has won two Misters titles both of which were played on grass Well both the Misters tourn't ments that Pork won were placed it Madison Square Curden New York The surtice there is Deco Turt II and not at iss. Of course. He has won the Wimbledon ti tles on ar iss Borg is certain ly a great player but it is improper to label him or for that matter invoiceles as the greatest player of all time

> IAIMIN M BHAII Bomb iy

Magnificent

PHE inter iev of Pit tudi: Lyith Caviskii was mag nificent. If we get two men of the stature of MAK and Sunny the interview is guaranteed to be good Whenever Pataudi is a particip int is in interview er Im em dwiss expect a di cus ion shich is both formative and authority tive Hi two innings with Merchanto er the AIR mac spon ored procramme were condende of his expanse as in inter-revee where is the ty o recent interviews with Sunny in Specieswoold brought out he ibilit to curv on crimica lev on the right lin Both Sund and Parauditorn the betteum for uch videringing discu ion Both have the all too rare qualit of being able to put acro's the max imum vith the minimum of yord without beating ibout the buch

Another thing that hould be mentioned is about A hi Riv piece where he is thin Boycost and Cooch form the best open mig pur today. They hive necessfull with food the discided West Indies uttack and this forms the criterion for deciding the quality of a batsman today. However our own Cayaskar and Chauhan may prove to be a good at not better than be cott and Gooch They have an impressive receit behind them.

The forthcoming series between India and England will be significant on two accounts—there will be a contest between the two pars to prove which of them is more stable. There will be a per on all rivalry between Boycott, and Gayaskar to out do each other in the matter of consistency Added to this will be the battle between Both im and Kapil

VIJAY S CHORGHADI Pune



Shocking

THE decision of the ITC L to sponsor the inter zone hockey championship de serves to be praised Some three years back they came torward to sponsor the limited over matches for the Wills Trophy in cricket Now it is hockey They are really doing veoman service for the cause of Indian sport In these days of pro tessionalism sponsorship is a must for the development of all games I hope that other big wigs will follow this example

But talking about hock ev the dropping of Baskar an from the south zone to am is indeed shocking. The dir ty hands of the officials in the selection committee have once again surfaced How can one disregard the fact that he was the fittest player in the Bangalore camp This coming at a time when India is trying hard to regun the world suprema cy makes it all the more terrible. With these good for nothing officials around India can never regain the

top spot

The explanation given by the vice president of the IHF Mr V P Bhaskaran on the issue of the omission of Vasudevan Baskaran from the south zone team is far from convincing His argument that Baskaran was dropped due to his slowing down in the last 15 to 20 minutes of the Lame makes tunny reading If the selec tors or rather the vice president had such in im pression why did they in clude Baskaran in the camp. There seems to be some ulterior motives be hind the omission. The vice president sother contention that Baskaran is already 30 is also unfathomable. Then why was Surjit Singh (with full respect to the country's best penalty corner expert) who is also 30 included in the north zone team?

When Mr Mahajan, an ex player became the presi dent of the IHF hockey lov ers took it as a well deserved break for the game from the hands of the stupid officials But, our hopes have already been damaged to a great extent The dropping of Baskaran seems to be pre planned It is learnt that during the selection committee meet ing an official had declared beforehand, leave out Bas karan and tell me about the

rest" It is also learnt that Baskaran was dropped against the coaches' desire It was Prithipal after Mex ico, Ajitpal after Montreal Ashok Kumar after Esand Govinda after Bangkok, Sui ut after the USSR tour and now Baskaran after Moscow

The IHI owes an ex planation to the hockey liv ers of the country and we only hope that Mr Mahajan will intervene to set think

right

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HE screams, shouts abuses teases wood and book Yet he is an artiste who weaves magic when he lifts his tennis wand He washes and liter ally changes his duty linen in public. He gets slapped by jealous boyfriends be cause their girls go crazy over him He loses Wimble don finals. He is the most colourful player the game of tennis has produced. There will never be another like him He is none other than Nasty' the Rumanian Ilic Nastase

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Best expert

ON his weekly program me Vijas Merchant hid cilled M. A. K. Pataudi to discuss certain aspects of the Australian tour Mer chant introduced Pat as the best expert we have at present in the country and sud that he should be appointed expert for all six Tests this winter Merchant couldn't have spoken gruer words

It at all there has to be a expert on the AIR panel of has to be Pataudi His vast experience of the game his deep insight and read grasping of the situations make him the most ideal expert today. He has the ability of conveying his in terpretations with the mini mum of words

We sincerely hope that the AIR will appoint him is expert acceding to popular request We also sincercly hope that the editorship of 1 magazine will not stand 11 way of such an appoint ment¹

Please do accept my sin eere gratitude for those brilliant innings over All with Merchant

V S CHORGHADI

The Sporting Life

Ben Templeton and Tom Forman

WRAPPING IT UP

Bournemouth Britain's Jo Durie (20) won the Women's Singles of the British Hardcourt Championships 7 5 1 6 6 3 over France's Sophie Amiach But there were some anxious moments before victory when her wrap around skirt began to come adrift and her shots went wide. The spectators laughed helping to relax her fearful then of losing the garment and the match Durie took both in hand hitting some brilliant winners to finally wrap up the match and victory. The skirt certainly helped

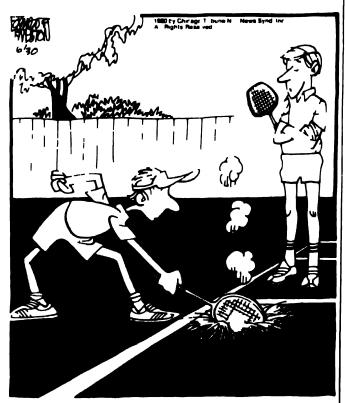
SOME NEIGH BOURLY REASSURANCE

Washington When President Reagan and Bonnie Prince Charlie of Britain met in the Oval office during the latter's recent U S trip the talk inevitably turned to horses reflecting the equestrian passions of both men Reagan reassured the future king that despite his recent tumbles off Good Prospect he was in no danger of being put to pasture When you re riding steeple chase or playing polo said the President who should know there are times when you and the horse will part company. So long as it's not permanently

BARE WITH US

California Although most sports generate an amazing range or ancillary industry in the shape of equipment and clothing rich with subtle status symbols and fashion notes a pastime that gives no scope whatsoever one would suppose is nudism. But the latest edition of International Health & Efficiency Monthly carries a titillating headline on its cover. More of our super bare wear bargain offers! What could it possibly be? See through skin wear? Transparent tuxedos? Sorry to disappoint. The offer is for rubber dinghies!

B TELLIS



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DON'T YOU JUST LOVE THE UNSPOILED WILDERNESS?



YOUR FATHER JUST FOUND OUT // ARNOLD PALMER TURNED 50

Sportsworld Serial

The magic moment

Botham had to wait till India's second innings of the 1979 Lord's Test to take his hundredth Test wicket that of Sunil Gavaskar This extract is from the book Ian Botham The Great All-Rounder by Dudley Doust, published by Cassell and priced £6 95

T lunch Both im take off his A T lunch Both am cake

Boots in the changing room pulls off his souking wer shirt drinks rightss of orange squash and sit resting smoking a cigarette. He takes only a of of lunch three slices of beet lice cream and several cup of teri heaped with sugar. In 42 minutes, in a 1 clean shirt he is bowling again from the Pavilion Lnd tor a spell of four overs Bowling mostly it Chauhan it is a probing and tidy spell with one maiden vet a spell units yirded by a f wicker Light overs later I dmonds he breaks the Indian stand at 79 when he is has Chauhan cought off bat and pad It is shortly after this -Hendrick nearing ! the end of his spell and Both in due to return—when his fellow slips begin to provoke him. It is signalled by a two handed pot sturing gesture from captain Brearley

For Heaven's ake on goalla says Taylor is though on cue let is see some aggression this time. Bre it ley adds. Come on Cu. v here is all this fire we held about. Cooch lives a verbal red ray by colling to mind, something that a six ratten during the Ashes tour of Australia by the lengen dary Bill O Reilly O Reill visitable Botham you're no threat to in body Botham's prime provocateur is Williwho is not playing in this match. To get that little extra out of Cuy you've got to insult him says Willis You know, itell him something like M mother bowls quicker than that and woosh next ball has made the vital breakthrough In O tind Kith Both am having for soften little Surth's baby food has lett to ho outside the ground

At 3 20 Both im a bowling his eleventh over of the day India is on 89, Gavask if 49 and Vengsark if the new batsman 6 Both im trist ball as orthodox as he even is likely to bowl is an out-swinger delivered from his most common delivery point tight to the stumps. The ball drifts just wide of Gavaskar's off stump and the Indian with dainty footwork forward then back gets swiftly balanced and sends the ball rifting through backward of square, more a drive than a cut. R in dall can merely wave a hand it the ball as it shoots past shoulder high it races to the boundary. Gavaskar has

reached his half century 53 runs. Well batted 5385 I islor

The crowd breaks into generous applicase for it is the Indian's third half century in his four innings of the series. He is surprised at the burst of iceliam. He genuinely has not known



Bearer up 114 kiade ship

that he was at the brink of his 50, nor even that the Indian score stood at 94 While batting, Gavaskar studiously avoids looking at the scoreboard (many batsmen claim this discipling few achieve it) or even at the clock and, in fact, he often is surprised when the umpires say it is time for tea "It you know many runs you have," he says, "you will go into a shell and not play naturally " His batting partners what is more, have learned never to apprise him of scores, Gavaskar says 'My total occupation is to deal with the bowlers who are trying to get me out '

Three balls later Gavaskar adds a single off Botham and then, facing Edmonds bowling over the wicket, the Indian puts on five more runs to reach 59 and bring India to 99 Gavaskar 1. feeling in command moving into his single purple patch since lunch As Botham begins his twelfth over of the day at 3 27, Gavaskar has retained the strike It is to be a tumultuous over First ball of the over and a sense of impending drama has seeped over the field Randall mills around, looking like a deep sea diver in his crash helmet feeling that something is bound to happen Botham is eager it the thought of bowling to the Indian i

The runs are coming for him, he thinks 'and that suits me tine A rapport peculiar to sport has grown up between bowler and batsman Botham recalls the moment 'When you spend a lot of time bowling at a guy you get to understand him and like him 'he explains. You can set him nestling down and looking at you trying to gee himself up talking to himself—and a nice teeling comes over you It's a sort of a sixth sense just you and him and a cricket ball

At the crease Gavaskar is begin ning again to rise into euphoria a gidds rhapsody of runs. He glances round the field looking for where those runs might be had and turns his even to Botham only in the last thumping strides of his delivery. The ball drifts outside the off studing and Gavaskar lets it go. In the mounting tension Botham's daughter has begun to cry in Q stand Botham's mother growing tense herself flops open Sarah's little stroller and together, grandmother and grandchild, they make their awkward way down behind the stand for in walk

Second ball Botham chooses during his run up to bowl a slower ball. At the point of delivery, he slows down Gavaskar reads him well "Ian's almost come to a stop, he senses "it's going to be a slow ball." Hendrick, at second slip knows this too, although his everage dutifully fixed on the top edge of Gavaskar's bat. A moment in time expands for Hendrick, longer and longer he waits, waits waits for the ball and, waiting forever, a flicker of feat passes through his stomach. "This prate he whispers "Here comes crap ball." Hendrick later recalled the moment as wonderfully lucid. "I we amused. I think I even chuckled. I thought that anything could happen.



10) The milestone Test wicket Gavaskar caught Brearley bowled Botham 59 at 2015

but Christ that something was goint to happen and whatever it was I was going to stand my ground.

going to stand my ground 'THE Indian, expecting the bill to be THE Indian, expecting and a more torward well pitched up has come forward. The on his front foot eager to attack. The ball however is not only an obviou low one but it is badly bowled into the bargain It didn't pitch up It trundled in on a long hop so awkward ly that it tangles Gavaskar's timing. He hits it in the meat of the bat but tractionally too soon. The ball explodes off the bat high and to Ran dall's left and the England player tlings up his hand. He flaps at the ball reflexively knocking it down Squeeze it 'he curses himself kick might catch the damned thing. He throws his hand into the sky in disgust tosses his head in his crash helmet. He I swears at the new law torbidding play ers to hand their helmets to umpires between overs. Had he been bire headed he thinks he might have

tiken the catch
Given a life Gavaskar takes no heed He had mistimed the shot true nough, but he had met the ball sweet by bang and he had felt a satisfying tiemor pass up his arms and into his shoulders Rehearsing he replays the hot exaggerating an artful flourish and absent mindedly watches Randall retrieve the ball. The ball makes its looping way player by player back towards the bowler. The last to handle it. Edmonds, holds just a split second too long and speaks slowly "Bad

but you youldn't luck he grins want to get your 100th wicker with a a strangle being a lucks strangle bill one on which a bitsmin hings himself Both im says. You're probably right although he is tleetingly innoved with I dmonds for holding the ball that moment too long ruining a thythm. He is annoyed too that spin ners especially Edmonds don't keep the ball shined for the sermers. With these guys. Both im will say the ball tends to come back with five or six marks on the shins side. It galls me. I

Botham "When you spend a lot of time bowling at a guy, you get to understand him and like him It's a sort of a sixth sense just you and him and a cricket ball"

have to spend time on it before I the the next ball of the ore. Both imshines the ball firmly under health thing. In the slip cordon, tooch Hendrick Brearley and Faylor are disappointed at the ball going down yet they joke over the fact that there might have been a touch of luck in Botham's 100th wicket. It would be typical that such a bad ball such a strangle' should bring him his 100th wicket. Botham will try anything they conclude even a crap ball. Returning to his mark, Botham's annoyance has now shifted to himself. He is annoyed.

that Cavaskar so obviously has a read his slow ball. He absolutely must learn that yeard low ball from Neal Hawke and include it amone his weaponry

Third ball and both in turns and once up in comes pounding in Cradling the ball grasping it in his right hand he senses that it has gone a bit soft even for it middle aged life of 39 over. The helly other Both in decides Grasika as type for a bouncer. In the back of his mind he knew that when bowling into Torl. Tadge from the Pavilion I nd especially today any ball can behave unpredictably. It might status as a timight lift Botham vect tight to the tump, and bangs one in short.

nimbleness although Crikn he is to be besten by the ball will show up is a quick little three step minuci en bbt film Settling first on his back foor the little Indian moves thythmically forward a Both im s foot hits the crease But ecing the steep bane do not the ball Gaviskir more back and finds himself overba-Lincold in no man s land. I was trying to get out of the way he is later to recall but I had already committed myself across so I was in line with the ball. The ball plunges at him shoul der high. He tends tries to drop his wrist. At the same time he senses the ball will hir his bat or gloves and he icluses the grip of both hands on his bit Some batsmen relax only the bottom hand in these circumstances, he says later. I relax both so that sometimes the bat is knocked out of

my hands" By doing this he had deadened the concussion of the blow and reduced the danger of the ball carrying to a fielder. It works. The ball skims off his glove and just fails to reach Brearley at first slip Gavaskar is unmoved It wasn't my mistake he tells himself it wasn't a genuine ch ince

Cavaskar appears to the crowd, the Press Box and television viewers to be ill in a tangle, at sixes and sevens with himself but he feels in control of the situation. In fact, he later considers that after that ball he was too confident carried tway by this sense of safety. The England players nearer at hand teel a different senses of excite ment. He's ketting into a little bit of a state thinks Brearley Botham is get ting worked up and Gaviskir is get ting worked up in reply I (vlor thinks Gavaskar's got the bit between his teeth he is going to play a shot a ball In the crowd Botham's mother with little Sirih has pushed through the passageway between Q stand and the Pavilion. The child sits in a forest of legs while her grandmother watches the play Kithy Botham with the baby food is outside Grace gitte coming in

It was at this point. Gavaskir decided later that he should have step ped away from the crease and kathered his wits about him. He should have paused to gather together the loose ends of his concentration. In fact he neglected a device he usually em-

ploys under such uncertain circumst ances After I play a bad shot and i begin to feel my concentration going, he explains, 'I cup my face like a horse wearing blinkers and look straight down the wicket and say to myself keep playing straight, keep playing straight. But excitement over rode his caution, there were runs to be

Fourth ball and Randall later likes to recall the scene. Ian was so worked

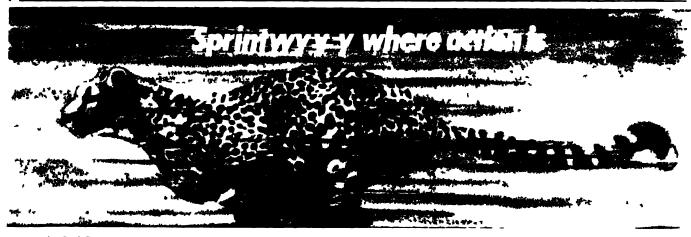
It happened' Botham, swerving back and sprinting down the wicket, bursts unaware past Gavaskar's hand of congratulation and heads straight towards Brearley and the caught ball

up you could see the foam coming out of his ears Further Randall remem bers Botham's action. He started his run up with two long walking strides then he bounced three or four strides When he does that his blood is up. It is difficult for the onlooker to detect these bounces especially looking down the wicket and Botham refines Randall's observations. I wasn't anger but I was getting keen. I was tiving I could see I was in with a chance It I kept plugging away things could happen " Plugging away Botham heaves one in, letting loose with an enormous grunt The ball i short and lifts just outside the oil stump Gavaskar just fails to get

touch and is beaten
Fifth ball Botham thunders in and in the last two strides impulsively swerves off wide of the crease trying to start the ball angling in towards the batsman By bowling wide of the crease he is forcing the impression upon the batsman that he must pla the ball. The ball slams off the wicker short of a length and races wide of the hatsman Gavaskar misreads the bounce and shifts onto his back foot He tries a clumsy cover drive but the ball stays low and ticks the bat- Just kisses the bottom edge is the will Gaviskar is to remember it—and this time carries ankle high to Breatl who makes a tumbling catch one handed lett handed

It happened! Botham swelvin back and sprinting down the wicker bursts unaware past Gavaskar's hand of congratulation and heads straight towards Brearley and the caught ball In the passageway beside Q' stands his mother turns and begins thumping on the collarbones of the woman beside her

Kathy at the gate hears the up roar. The gatem in recognising her Your husbind's got it sass Kathryn thrilled clapping wonders should I tell him I missed it?



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Tony Lewis's Column

A demand for a sight of the past

THLRL is a gossip pervading the backstails of English cricket that the game aint wor it was' nowhere his that belief been given more conpicuous exposure than in the I ton

college magazine

Now this is not a publication which in be bought it any old railway station However at feel into the hands of Fleet Street all right, and the edito rial received nationwide attention We British must give up the playing it cricket because we ire no longer iny good at it. Let us settle comfort. ibly for the fact that we gave the game to the world and recognise that now everyone is better it it than us. All cricket should stop immediately. Our fulures at it are depressing the country and all the more so because we think we are expected to be the finest exponents in the world. We are not 'Is this the stiff upper lip of the I ton playing fields I isked. Did the I ton College magazine editor live to see out the day of publication or was he found thosting down the Thomes that night tice downwirds drowned by the weight of cricket knowledge he was currying on account of his having been torce ted everyone of the 1231 pages of the 115th Wisden page by page by the members of the School XI at stump point?

Maybe he got a reprieve and he would deserve that because his little attre was only saying what many others have been preaching the game

i not what it used to be

As fir is I im concerned that is a dingerous gospel. Many aspects of cricket have improved. The fielding is a result of one day cricket has now in inbuilt agality which would imaze cricketers of the lattices. Some would have been able to adapt but others would have struggled. Fitness standards are higher. The England team set the trend in the carly Seventies for tretching exercises and loosening up before each days play. However, in spite of the modern athleticism there has risen a demands in Britain for a light of the past. Cricket lovers

inted former Test cricketers to come out of retirement to remind them of the old skills. The brewers courage of acris offered their sponsorship and on June this year, the courage old ingland cricket team was recruised to play under the leadership of Fred Irucman.

The idea is to play ten games this ummer and then set about regular incket with tours abroad. All this because the public want to see the way we were

I say we because I am included
The most senior cricketer is Denis | Fred Trueman

Compton In between he the ancient skills of Reg Simpson Tom Graveney Brian Close I tek Robertson Peter Paritit John I drich Phil Sharpe John Murray Don Breinan Godfrey I vans Don Wilson David Allen John Mortimore Ahthur Milton and others



Serving under Fred Trueman may be like taking to sea under Captain Bligh but it will not be dull He has agreed to fortest his good behaviour money before every overseas tour

The coincidence of the Eton editorial and the launch of the courage old Ingland side leads one to ask what it is the old uns can ofter which the modern players cannot the answer may be simply a glimpse of vesteryear In India at would no doubt enthrall the cricket loving public to taste just the flavour of the style of the maestro S. P. Gupte or the Ramchands or whoever Personally Ic in think of nothing more testing than a day in the field. Old internationals may dress up in Test match sweaters, but underneath the prestigious garb the bones creak

So what can former players offer? Perhaps most importantly they can demonstrate one or two of the old skills Flight and spin are obvious ones in an era of medium fast bowling directed munly short of a length

Of batsmen at is cass to pick out of the Inglish County scene those who were trained in the littles and early Sixties before one day cricket was in troduced Alan Jones of Glamorgan Geoff Boycott Dennis Amiss David Steale—all these obey the mixim of getting behind the ball and playing in the V between mid on and mid off Too many of the current batsmen lose their wickets by trying to glance the straight ball down to third man or tine leg I would not presume that Reg Simpson who opened England's but ting in the Fitties could claim to be a better batsman than Sunil Gavaskai but even Sunil when he was briefly with Somerset caught the English discase of opening the face of the hat and running the ball to third man Too often he snicked it to the wicket

So this is the mood of Ingland It probably comes from the unequal struggle against the West Indies No. thing was ever gained by torlorn ittempts to recipture the past as Truem in s navy will attempt to do nor by giving up as the Lton editor recommends Best to invest hope and trust in the youth of the game and consider that Graham Gooch Divid Gower, Geoff Boycott and John Imburey would have been chosen for England whenever they had played. The sight of Denis Compton returning to his beloved Indore where he delightfully represented the Holkar State in the Forties is fond fantasy. It might well happen if the band of old England cricketers find their feet but it is strictly for the memory of what went betore

Vijay survives as seeds bounce out

As in the past Wimbledon once again witnessed some startling results in the first week DAVID McMAHON reports .



VIIAY AMRIIRAL continued his authorized his Australian Paul Kronk 63 63 62 to move into the quarter final in what must surely rank a one of his best years at the All Ingland Club since his first appearance here. Amritral broke early in the first and second ets and though he dropped his own cave later he broke through once gain to each lish a pattern as he took the first two sets by an identical markin. In the third set he only needed two service breaks to yrap up the match

Americal served well and attacked the Australian relentle by foreing him repeatedly into error and passing him with some awe ome hots. He covered the ground well volleved accurately and kept has opponent inder pressure throughout the match. His only worry is that he has been dropping cryice games in all him utches but the bet thing about higher this year is that he has not been letting up the pre-sure when he is in a winning position.

No ratilova continued to face problems with her concentration and temper iment aumices saids dropping a et to American Sharon Waysh in their third round encounter. Five tilova won the first set 6.1 went to pieces in the second to local 2.6 but pulled herself to take the third 6.0.

Against Betsy Nagelsen, also of the United States, she had no such problems advancing 6.3–6.1 into the quarter finals. Although she admitted that she had not performed up to expect a tions, against Walsh, she emphasised

I believe I implaying is well as I was when I won Wimbledon two vears running Perhaps it will be easier for me to find my rhythm in the second week for that is the time you are upagainst the top players but my problem is that I im still looking for the right type of service as I am trying to get a little more spin in The serve I am using now is not really new but it is different. However, when it comes to the crunch I fise my old serve because I am not alraid of that part of my game going to pieces.

Borg's fourth round match against 16th seed Vitas Gerulaitis was more or less a foregone conclusion as the New Yorker had never won a single one of their 17 previous encounters. This time, however he had different ideas and played the gime of his life as had kimirer against. Mel nioe a few days previously. Once again the Centre Court crowd witnessed two suprementists at work. Borg the brilliant consistent performer against. Geru lattis the mercurial erratic genius. Borg won in straight sets 7 b. 7 5. 7 6 but Gerulaitis gave him a couple of cares along the way especially when he was two points away from winning the first set.

For Mima, Jausovec, of Yugoslavia vent the distinction of ending Andrea Juger's quest for a Wimbledon title on the afternoon of Saturday June 27 Jausovec seeded number 10 upset the litth seed in a match that seesawed imagingly winning in straight sets 64.7%

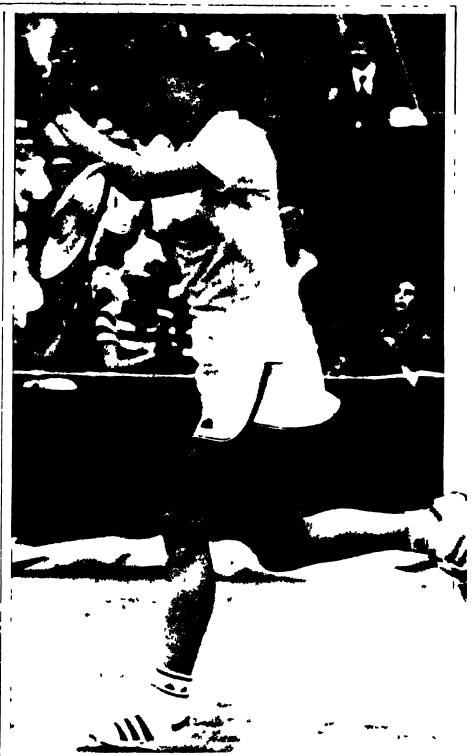
Jacket seemed to be heading for actors in both sets as she led 3.1 in the till tand 4.1 in the second but ruined her own chances even as her opponent refused to be cowed down.

Later while in ilvsing her own mis the beiten tifth seed said Like riefully. I don't know whether it was the fact that Mima has seven or eight cir experience that made all the difference but she played pretty well I had my chances to win but I didn t make the most of them. I stayed on the baseline when I should have come up to the net and tim hed off the points After I lo t I went to the locker toom to ce what I had done wrong because I try to learn from each of my losses You take bits and pieces and see what oute in do to improve your a ime and I im now looking forward to the Wight. m in Cup and the US Open I will be back here next year though trying to do even better than before

Julsovee clited by her entry into the quarter final admitted that winning actions the young American girl will a girl experience. I really winted to play well at Wimbledon and as confident again t. Andrea with hom I had a very close three setter in Paris. Every time I served a high ball into her backh and I was able to come in and finish the point but my experience helped me in this win. I have been playing Wimbledon since. 1974 and this helped turn the tide today.

McI moc diopped a set iganst compatriot Stan Smith in their fourth round encounter but it was a lapse of concentration more than anything else even though it must be admitted that Smith fought him tooth and nail flie 34 vear old winner of the 1972 title here the beat life Nastase) has been concentrating on his deubles more in recent vears but played spirited tennis against the young number two seed. Smith who put out 15th reed Balazs Taroczy in straight sets in the third round took McI moe the full distance in the first two sets but he

is tiring visibly as McEnroe began to play some glorious shots to take the match at 7.5 3.6 6.1 6.2



Kathy Read the shery assists on twends the elected at the elected the Country Read to
SITDED players continued to top ple in the first week Lighth seed Roscoe Linner of the United States the big serving finalist against Borg in 1979, went out to Brightan veter in Carlos Kirmayi in four sets on the fourth day 6.4, 6.4, 3.6, 6.2. Kirmayi used novel factics to put out the min from Lookout Mount in Tennessee serving soft and volleying short. He succeeded in his aim to fattle Linner as this ploy put lanner off his game. The American for his part did not play his usual flamboyant game but

perhaps this will due to in ankle injury sustained in the dying stages of the match just when he needed to hight back with determination

I was more relixed and confident than I have been in the recent past explained Kirmayr after his surprespectory. The confidence has combecause I have been winning more games and have not been too tense at crucial stages in monaches. I have been thinking more about my game and have worked hard on things that have prevented me from winning in



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the past. I have begun to take down push off hard today and he capitalised notes after my matches, etting out rice on why Host and this has made a big difference

Previou ly I used to play afc instead of taking chances at the right time which most players do and which is a necessary really. This must be one of my best wins I think I beat Roscoe about ten eus 150 but we were both in chool at the time. In that Einie I won 6 > 15 13 and believe me I have never forgotten it. Since then, ho vever. I have lost about four times to him so this vin was a great morale. booster

A subdued I inner explained after hi los. He played a completely different kind of same which suited the conditions of the slove soft court Per on ally I don't care what court I play on Ideally everyone should play on in out ide court like number 13 for me today but it Borg were there it would be like a zoo. Maybe number 13. was unluck

I played pretty lousy fennis and it did not help that I aggravated some trouble in my inkle it the end of the third set I don't know what it is but a shooting pun palses through my right leg I didn't have the confidence to on this He placed the right sort of game and lobbed me more than usual but until I injured myself I felt I could

It was very difficult out on the court with people playing came incurby talking at the top of their voices ind climbing up and down ladders. It is a different tourn iment here but you just have to overcome such things.

The number even seed curly hared brim Cottlied of the United States went out to comparisot leff Borowisk Gottfried had advinced into the second round with a straight sets 63 63 62 win over Butch Wilts, also of the United States while Borowiak put paid to the aspitutions of Lric V in Dillen 62 64 46 62 The Cottined Borowith encounter was sparsely ittended but is the match drew on spectitors began to crowd the court Borowiak took the first set 6.4 and though neither player yielded an inch in the second he took the tie breaker at 73. The third set was another struggle but Gottfried dropped his serve and his opponent seized the opportunity to take the set at 64

Vijav Amiitraj who brushed aside 1973 champion Jan Kodes of Czechos

lovakia in the first round, played in spired tennis to knock out sixth seeded American Brian Feacher America broke his opponent's serve in the very first game of the match with some immaculate returns of service and held on to this advintage to take the first set 6.4 the next two set however went the way of the Amer ican who took them at 62 62

American played determined tenni to bounce back breaking serve once igain in the early stages of the fourth set which he took at 6.2. In the final set he once again broke Teacher serve in the opening game, passing the American with some scintillating shots. He broke once again in the third game but in a match featuring so man service breaks at was impossible to predict in outcome Sure enough It wher looked as though he was on the brink of breaking back as he led 40 15 on America is serve but the Indiin took the next four points in a row to trusti ite him

Although Teacher held his next service gime it was obvious that time was running out for him but Vijay held and then broke once us un to clinch in amazing victor. To icher's service had caused Amritraj some problems dui ing the encounter but he moved well on the court scoring point off alorious hot that had the crowd cheer ing him lie tily. It was a really amaing much he recalled. There were so many breaks of service that you couldn't help wondering what was going to happen next. Burn, and I have played together for so long that we can read each other signmenbut I was verhappy with the way I played especial ly after Brim led by two sets to one

John McI nroe who has only one eed the flunction Labory left in high all at the time of virting had several frights as an i-Riul Ramare of Mexico in their econd round en counter on Centre Court Rimire who has never won again to the Amer icin apparently had decided before the match that he best but was to attack relentlessly and this was preciscly what he did with grupendou result

Then clash becan on the atternoon of Wednesday June 14 was disrupted by he ivy r un and resumed on Thur day in front of a capacity crowd that enjoyed every single minute of the enthralling battle between two deter mined men both of them served strongly hit im raing passing shot and completed some istounding ser imbling rallies in a see's in encoun ter that lasted all of three hours and 40 minutes

McInroe served brilliantly send ing across no less than eight aces but he offset this with an identical number of double faults two of them in hi very first service game. Ramirez proterred to use the serve and volle game but McFnroe outsmarted him repeatedly even is he advanced to the net Ramirez dropped one service game in the first set and, try as he would, he found it impossible to bre ilback as McLnroe took the set 63

McEnroe did advance to the net on number of occasions but when he hund he was making too many mis tikes he decided to continue from the biseline only making occasional 1 1 145 to the net Games went until the Mexican took on the tie breaker by nine points to even in the second set ALP nioe serving in awesome tashion rook the third 6 3 as his father nodded in approval from the players box i imirez leading 5.4 in the fourth had i et point on McEnroe's serve but the Imerican took the pressure off with in ace. After the advantage had swung quiless than four times. McEnroe level d it five all with a superb volley itter he seemed completely off balance.

McFnroe broke his opponent's cive to lead 65 but Ramire, took avenge by breaking back at love. The mobile like in case into effect at this

stage and Ramirez forced his second set point with a scorching return of serve that McEnroe could only gape at There was some confusion over the next point Ramirez hit a glorious backhand that seemed to have kicked up chalk but that was ultimately called out McEnroe passed in brilliantly as he advanced to the net to force a match point and with a stunning first serve which Ramirez could barely get his racket to the number two seed had scraped through an amazingly close match

McEntoe's behaviour during this encounter was exemplary. He kept his temper under control for the most part of the match despite the fact that as many as four line calls went against him Each time McFnroe stared at the umpire in amazement but continued after only a slight pause and the spectators cheered him lustily on each



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Superbrat in the corner

Pl OPLF looking for brilliance in tennis have a wide variety of players to choose from Those looking for brilliance and irreverence look to one or two stars—either like Vistise a finalist here at Wimble don in 1972 and again in 1976 or the brish young American John McI nroe

While Nastase collected a wirning for ungentlemanly behaviour trom Perth umpire Bill MicDonald he mide sure to keep on the right side of the law on the opening day in his match against Sandy Mayer. He repeatedly complained about the uneven bounce and twice asked MicDonald to quieten the crowd but kept the best for the end in the minner of the born entertainer. When he reached the end of his tether he told a policeman to arrest the umpire explaining he sath worst umpire. I have ever seen.

But McI nroe's was the star turn of the day. A capacity crowd watch of his court one encounter with compatriot. Iom Gullikson and it was not long before McLinoe was up to his antics. He cribbed about the court surface he complained about the umpiring he questioned line calls and was slow—handelapped by the exasperated crowd I mally as he walked off the court after defeating Gullikson 7.6.6.1.6.3 a young girl threw her arms around his neck and proclaimed, 'I love you' McFinoe as usual had the last word 'She's probably the only one that does, he muttered. In the first set after complain

In the first set after complaining several times about line calls, McEnroe strode up to the umpire

and asked petulantly. Would you say you are doing a lousy job? Umpire Edward James however took it all in his stride. In the second set. McFnioe resorted to taking a swipe at a chair with his racket, and got a wirning from James. In the same set a McEnioe serve that kicked up chalk was called out and McFnioe shouted. You can the serious. That ball was on the line. How can you possibly call that out? Explain that will you? The umpire explained that the chalk had spread from the line and McFnioe, far from satisfied served a double fault.

Flashpoint came in the third set A line call went against McI nroe who strode up to the umpire and velled. You are the pits of the world. Umpire James responded by saying. I am going to fine you one point because you are rude McEnroe countered by asking for the tournament referee. Mr. I red

When Hoyles trived on the court walkie talkie in hand McFn too angrily said. I refuse to be penalised by an incompetent tool but the referee confirmed the penalty point slapping on set another penalty after McFnroe in sulted him for good measure McEnroe won of course but it was announced on the second day that he had been fined \$1500 (about £750) for his behaviour

Had McEnroe stood his ground he would have been tined a game and if he still had not relented he would have been disqualified Accordingly, one of the dailies the next day came up with the heid line, 'McEnroe comes within two tantrums of being disqualified

But that was not the end of his wornes On day two Wimbledon police stopped him and gave him a ticket for speeding on his way to the All England Club

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occasion However it three games all in the fourth set McI nroe hit creturn of serve our is he was under the impression there had been a net cord The umpire did not call a let instead giving the point to Ramirez and in astonished MeEnroe isked him to clar ity what he had said. This the umpire did adding play on Mr McInroe The furious second seed struggling visibly to keep his temper under check took three kicks it the line and then walked away from the baseline as one spectator called out Come on John England loves you

Ramirez also found time to enter tain the crowd during the maiathon struggle At one stage in the second set, when he hit a winner with his right leg in the air, he went through the motions of the shot three or four times, as if practising it to use in future

Later he examined a set of new balls very carefully and after the umpire instructed him to continue, he held them up for the crowd to look at instead Then, when he didn't want a ball, he passed it back to the ballboy after tossing it up in the air and heading it to him in the manner of a soccer player And during the tie breaker in the fourth set after one spectator shouted "come on McEn roe," Ramirez mimed the request to cheer for him as well. His next shot was a wonderful backhand that passed McEnroe to take the chalk and he turned to the same spectator, smiling broadly and bowing

McEnroe relaxing after the match said 'Having to play a match and keep my temper was a very difficult experience Even the people who applauded me were mainly the kids and maybe they don't know any better Certainly this was the best Ramirez had ever played against me and for my part I seemed to have missed my rhythm on the service and everything I just wasn't into the match Every day you stay in a tournament the better it gets, but I was struggling vesterday and today except maybe in the first

"As long as I teel good about my game I don't care much about anything !

am a fighter but it just wasn't in me at some stages during this match I was concentrating but I just am not acting myself and that caused a lot of prob lems There were certain balls that I knew I should go for but didn't The bottom line is all about winning and it is nice to get better during a tourna

McEnroe's arch enemy, top seed and detending champion Bjorn Borg had no such problems, however as he moved into the third round at the expense of Mel Purcell of Kentucky In an interview before the game, Purcell claimed that he was not at all awed by the fact that he was to play the five times champion It I allowed things like that to worry me and cow me down he said. I d have no business to be on the pro tennis circuit in the first place Borg in one hell of a player, as everyone knows, but why should I go on court believing that I am going to be beaten by him. I have confidence in my own abilities and if I didn t have this faith in myself then I just wouldn't play Borg I'd give him a walkover or something "

Purcell played brave tennis on court number one against Bork but even his confidence could not prevent him from going down in straight sets 6.4.6.1.6.3. This meant that Borg still had not dropped a set as he moved into the fourth round where he played the

else, not even about public reactions ! | Court on the afternoon of Friday, June

Borg had played the German on three previous occasions and though he had won the first two in straight sets, Gehring turned the tables on the Swede in their third encounter during the Brussels WCT event The first time they met, in 1977, Borg had beaten him 6 2, 6 0, the second time, a Davis Cup encounter last year Borg won 6 1 61, 62 The third time, however Gehring beat Borg 76 75

When asked before this encounter what his chances were, the German replied frankly, "Although I beat Borg at Brussels earlier this year I think I have little chance of pulling it off again I am mentally prepared and maybe I learned something from the Brussels match I won t say what it is just in case someone tells him. He is a much better player than I am I am looking forward to playing him although really I would prefer to be playing someone else-almost anyone

Borg is a very different player at Paris I lushing Meadow and of course Wimbledon and to heat him at any of these place really means some thing In a big tourn iment he concentrates so much Certainly I do not hope to win but I hope to play as well is I can You can never foretell how n iny games you are going to win against him. Maybe it could be a set German Rolf Gehring on Centre and if I play very well it could be a

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Gehring was at one stage on the brink of winning the second set. He was serving for the set at 5.3, lost his serve and then had Borg down 0.40 on the Swede's serve But Borg took the next five points in a row and this stemed to dishearten Gehring completely, to the extent that he failed to win a single game thereafter, the scoreboard reading 6.4, 7.5, 6.0

Both men served well but Gehring trequently had Borg in trouble with his tirst serve Yet, strange though it may seem, Borg won several points after weak returns of the German's serve hid brought him to the net, hungry to finish off the point. He beat Gehring with lobs or alternatively, left him standing as he passed him effortlessly on both sides from the baseline. Borg double faulted thrice in the course of the match, but these were minor irritations for a man on the lookout for a 11th consecutive Wimbledon title.

John McEnroe had no problems disposing of Bob Lutz, better known as Stan Smith's 'doubles' partner McEnroe who won 64 62 60 said "I felt better during this match and the court urface seemed better Hopefully I will continue to improve as the tournament progresses I don't really object to playing everyday although some times after a tough match you look forward to a day's rest"

I got a little angry with myselt on court during the match with Lutz, but I think this helped my game to end If I ket subdued, it affects my tennis I am I good deal lighter than last year and it times I feel that I am moving better on court I am not sure that the loss of eight has caused this, although time will tell I have more or less cut out all pink food and having a beer or so less and I guess that has helped '

Although Chris Lewis of New Zea land stretched Jimmy Connois to the to breaker in the first two sets of their econd round encounter the former champion had a lot in reserve. The number three seed said "One thing is certain I am not going downhill Whether I am seeded three or one hundred wouldn't make a difference to me What matters is who I am I h we come here to win and I create my own image. I am not moving down the order and my thoughts are to move up Over the last two years I have not been as eager to play abroad as I was before and I didn't look forward to coming here or going to Paris but uddenly all that changed and I really inted to get going

Connors literally scoffed at the ittempts being made at Wimbledon to prevent grunting by players "I liughed when I heard about that I amitunting well this year, I am really in mod form when it comes to grunting "It laughs heartily before continuing in the first match the umpire told me to hold down the grunting, but I told



limmy Conners shell in the distriction of the Line is a crisis worder staight

him there was nothing I could do about

Among the women top seed Chir Lloyd who has been top seeded in the absence of detending champion I von ne Cawley began her quest for the title against Cathy O'Neil whom she brushed aside 6.3 b.0. Surprisingly enough she emerged on court with her hair fied in a bright red ribbon and when asked about this later she said. 'I am tired of being the old lady of the circuit. It's as simple as that

I ourteen year old sensation Kiths Rinaldi became the youngest gill to win a match at Wimbledon when she progressed into the second round at the expense of South African Rollin son Apparently unawed by the thought of playing Wimbledon and completely at ease with the photo graphers who thronged to her mitch she went through into the second round with a 63 26 97 win

Her second round was a different story altogether. Swiss Airl Claudia Pasificile ended the young American Airls dream by bouncing back after dropping the first set 3.6 Rinaldi's game went to pieces thereafter and nothing she could do to prevent her opponent from taking the next two sets without the loss of a game. Rinal di's loss however is only the beginning of a success story that might one day perhaps eclipse those of Tracy Austin and Andrea Laeger.

Rin ildi played very well in the first set and I tried slowing her down by slicing, but she had so much power. In the second set, I hit harder and she made more mistakes. Maybe she was surprised by the improvement and this caused her problems. I was very ner yous at the start of the match as she is such a star now. I am happy, for this is my biggest win. I was 18 in May and this is my first year at Wimbledon,"

The invasion begins

ALTHOUGH there is an under ground station at Wimbledon itself, the one at Southfields is closer to the All Ligland Club. The day before the tournament begin there were only about five people on the platform at Southfields and the walk down to the All England Club was an uninterrupted 12 minute stretch

On June 22 however all that was changed The sleepy little plat form at Southfields was besieged as hundreds of passengers alighted

trom 'rains

It took about three minutes to move from one end of the platform to the other inching along and keeping pace with the multitudes in front. The two staire ises leading out of the tube station are normally used in different directions one by people leaving the station and the other by people entering

That was no longer the case Every available inch of space was used by those sceking an exit and sandwich bags bruised a lot of elbows as the tennis tans made their pilgrimage. There were middle aged ladies clid in their best outlits teenagers in the inevitable jeans and the shirts and by way of concession to the warmer weather a few bare chested youths. There were all kinds of accents disting uishable as thousands made their way to Wimbledon

The clouds had lifted and as it to celebrate the occasion there was brilliant sunshine and not a single fleck of cloud in the sky You could | DM

sense the excitement in the air and to add to the atmosphere were the newspaper vendors calling out 'Order of play, get your copy of the order of play here Outside the station waited the luckless fans, those who had queued overnight for tickets only to find them sold out Now they hovered around asking those emerging from the station for space tickets

And of course there were the inevitable touts. They waited along the walls trying to look as inconspicuous as possible and asking in low voices—lest nearby policemen overhear them-whether anyone needed tickets. A few transactions were carried out but these were always performed discreetly

The main strect of Southfields had transformed overnight A sleeps are a at the best of times it was now a melee. People thronged both sidewalks writing in queue for buses and taxis to the All England Club But the wiser ones having foreseen traffic jams opted to wilk instead. Even walking was difficult however because of the crowds. I scal residents with no interest whatever in tennis had chosen to sit out in their gardens and watch the fun

The only topic of conversition of course, was tennis, and at several points along the road were tempor ary stalls offering souvenirs and Wimbledon tee shirts that were apparently doing a brisk trade Souvenirs ranged from 50 pence to a pound while tee shirts cost be tween £2.5 to £5. Then there were the inevitable pennants bearing the legend. Ive been to Wimble don that seemed to be selling like hot cakes

said Pasquile

Hana Mandlikova the number two seed withdrew from the mixed doubles and ladics doubles because of a back injury but continued in the singles despite the fact that she had been , warned to take four weeks rest. She disposed of Corrine Vanier of France 63 75 in the first round but had several lapses of concentration that cost her vital games in the second set

She played better tennis in the second round against Anne Smith whom she heat 61 64 After the match however, she declined to dis

cuss her injury 'I don't really want to talk about it | except to say that it hurts " But when asked why she had suddenly discarded her usual red bandana and donned a white one instead, she laughed and explained I just decided to do so on the spur of the moment I am a little superstitious, so maybe I will stick to white now

Fourth seed and twice tormer champion Martina Navratilova drop

ped only five games on her way to the third round detenting Joyce Portman of the USA 64 60 and Susan Mascar in also of the USA 6.0-6.1. Her only real lapse on her part came in the second set against Mascarin. She drop ped her service game while serving for the match but broke back to win Naviatilova used the serve and volley game to advantage in both encounters, but circless mistakes on the volley cost her several points which she will not be able to attord as she progresses

The deteat of the legendary Virgi nia Wade at the hands of Anne Hobbs of Great Britain caused something of a sensation but not is much as her post match announcement that she might not play Wimbledon The for mer champion who won the tourna ment in Britain's jubilee year said. I teel that I have fulfilled my potential as a tennis player although I was untaught Perhaps a good coach would have corrected my technical weaknes ses I am an outgoing person and highly strung In one way this is a

weakness, in another way it is a strength If I hadn't won Wimbledon I would not have felt fulfilled I am not all that sad about nearing the end What the hell, you have to finish sometime Who knows, though? I might just resurrect myself for Wimb ledon next year "

One thing is for sure There will be thousands of tans waiting for her to do

just that

THE Daily Mail featured a wonder I ful cartoon across eight columns on the day Wimbledon began It depicted a triumphant Bjorn Borg in that now tamous attitude of his on bended knees arms and racket raised in triumph. On the other side of the net trustration and disappointment writ large on their faces are four men the nearest threats to Borg's supremacy

The first is Jimmy Connois with an upraised clenched fist. The second is a scowling John McI nroe crushing a tennis ball in his right palm. The third is Brian Teacher brandishing a broken racket while the fourth is Victor Pecci grinding his teeth in inguish. And on the extreme right of the cartoon appropriately enough is in umpite wigging his tinger and shouting it the tour disappointed men

A tail enough assessment of thinks to come although of course Pecci went out on the opening day Borg might not be able to take his sixth title but if he does succeed there will be a great deal of weeping and in ishing of teeth, imong the other top contenders each of whom is hungry for Bork's scalp at the All Ingland

Borg for his part quietly repeat without a hint of brishness that he would like to be remembered as the world's kreatest player adding When I retire may be in four or five year. I want to at back and count the number of championships I have won-

McInroe the number two seed ud before the tourn ment. There is week of matche on gias under niv belt ind a week of practice as well. I hope the courts at Wimbledon will be a little harder than they have been for the past two veirs but they suit my game and if I play well I teel I have a good chance of winning I came prett close to it list year and believe me I will be doing my utmost to pull it off this year. People will be waiting to see just how I perform. If I lose, they will say I am no good because they will compare my performance this year with how I played in 1950

There to win to satisfy my critics 1 haven't won yet but that's what I w been working for very hard and that s what I ll be striving to do Borg is a part of the Wimbledon tradition now he's part of the history a major part of the history. He's got whole chapters in the book of Wimbledon history while I've only got a few paragraphs McLn roe ends with a meaningful smile indicating that he would love to bring to an end the reign of the man who is so much a part of Wimbledon history

Twenty eight year old James Scott



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remiors the 1974 champion who lost in the final to Ashe the following vear and won back the fille next vear made it clear in no uncertain terms that he two would be going. Borg hanting I ould like my bostoremember me for dame something great for him she cared before the fournament begin

The only way to get per thore to like efter in Rod. I ever its to get him thistered. Get him to think there something wrong Don't let him find her him. It was each him deep enough their cut him short you lil have ech ince to win peints. He doesn't like hitting a vide short ball with his double hinder. A lot of times he lil revert to a single hinder. He liget to it but not do much with it. But if he gets both hands there he lil mike you look ally.

Borg doesn't smash is well is I think he should. He doesn't put the bill iway. The best was to do it is to bring him in and throw him a few topspin lobs. That's where he has troughle with some of the boys.

He's uncomfortable on grass but he'll get by On clay you can forget about be tring him but on grass you've got a shot at him that topspin foreh and of his should be one you'ce he at the hell out of Biorn is a powernouse. He can hit winners from the baseline and can do pretty much anything he yints and his great strength is that he doesn't make many errors. But he won't last much longer. The physical train will be too much. The signs are there and the end is inevitable.

It sounds very easy the way Laver

puts it No one is questioning his wisdom. No one has the right to question the wi-dom of the man who was the legend before Borg emerged on the scene. It is just that the last person to be it bjorn Borg was the black American Arthur Vale was back in 1975. And if that Foot mampres are record nothing as

bork compounding in it preciety 2 pm on lune 22 and though Peter Rennert won several point on delight tall drop offers the detending champion reveraeille had to every himself on the way to a traight of 76.65.61 win.

Borg played well within him eltpreferring to stay on the baseline and letting Rennert tire him elt-out and make the mistake

There were plenty of hock on the opening dividine most prominent of which via the defeat of fourth lead by in Lendl of Czechoslovikia at the hands of a young qualifier named. Charlie Lineutt Eineutt in Australian was making his debut at Wimble don and he lad later this is easily my biggest win my be tobefore that being against John Sadri.

I mentral known to have a yeak backhand but he played yell on both sides with no viable weaknesses. He did not try to force winners concentrating in tead on staying in the match and though he was visibly tired after the fourth set he allowed his opponent only three games in the final set. I didn't worry about the state of the sets he said later. I just tried to get every ball in and win every point.

After taking glucose tablets I felt better but I think it was more the idea of taking them rather than the actual tablets them elves Strangely enough I was disappointed when I had to quality for the tournament proper but in retro peet at was probably the best thing for me

Out then went the fourth seed the scoreboard showing 146 63 64 16 63 win for the Australian The eleventh seed. Victor Pecci of Paraguay also made his exit brushed aside by unseeded Bill Seinlon of the United States Pecci only showed glimpses of the excellent form that prompted bookmakers to give him a rather fan cied rating it Wimbledon. He started off well enough and had Scanlon grop ing all over the court Pecci served well volleyed accurately and forced errors on Scanlon's backhand. He broke Scanlon's serve to lead by four games to two in the first set but Scinlon broke back to level at four gimes ill

At this point the American proved that he is as good a sportsman is he is a tennis player. In the ninth game—a crucial one from the point of view of both men—a shot by Pecci during a prolonged rally was called out by the linesman. Pecci questioned the call but the umpire affirmed that the shot had landed over the baseline. Pecci stood his ground, but the umpire remained admant. Eventually, Pecci returned to his position, but Scanlon in a wonderful gesture, requested that the point be played again.

The umpire retused but Scanlon

Ivan the loner

FOURTH seed Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia who made his exit in the first round is something of a novelty in the proteinis world. He is a loner a man who manages his own tennis in an environment where everyone else hires people to

do the same thing

Lendl i compulsive tennis play er—he played more than twice as many tournaments as Bjorn Borg last year—handles ill his arrange ments on his own He sees to his own hotel bookings airline reservations and hires his own cais. He follows a punishing schedule that has sometimes taken him from one tournament to another in less than 45 hours. I know I can't go on like this he admits. But I need the experience and you don't get that by sitting on your backside in Prague.

The man who has been hailed as worthy successor to Borg hails from Ostray is a town that now prides itself on being the birthplace of a rapidly rising tennis superstar Lendl speaks good English but he speaks it slowly to ensure that he does not make mistakes. I do not have any goal. I have never hid any for it I had a goal and achieved

It then maybe it was too easy and I should have set it higher. If I had a goal and did not reach it then it would be a setback. So what is the good of a goal? It is enough for me to know that I have done my best."

In 1975 he was the undisputed junior world number one after win ning the Italian French and Wimbledon junior titles in addition to the Orange Bowl in Florida It was a good year for him but he was on the threshold of a difficult—and in most cases painful—transition to the senior ranks Many promising youngsters had faltered and failed it this stage but I endl progressed without in loss of form or confidence

A year liter he reached the tinal of one Volvo Grand Prix Tournament and made the semi final stage in three others. And then in 1980 he made his first major breakthrough in the enior ranks by placing sixth on the Asso ciation of Tennis Professionals (ATP) computer ranking list Although he lost to Borg in the French Open earlier this year at is clear that Lendl is going to make his presence felt in no uncertain terms. There is too much brilliance in his tennis for him to let a first round defeat at Wimbledon upset him for long

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remained where he was on the right hand court determined that the point be played once more. Despite orders from the umpire he remained there until the umpire told him to get on with the game on a point of law Even the failed to move the American The crowd arritated by the umpire's attitude begin to jeer and shout out out the shorw is out till the referee intervened ruling that the point be plived in in It was a pesture that could well have cost Scinlon the match is it will a point he needed badly. Whether this proved unsettling for Pecer or not is difficult to say but from this point onwards his game went. to pieces. He made mistakes on his volleys began to overhit and seemed to lose he ut. He kept calm, however ind it 6.5 he had two set points on Scinlon's serve Undaunted the American pulled tour magnificent serves out of the bag to draw level and 1 further entorce the trebreaker lapse of concentration on the part of Pecci siw the American take the tic breaker at seven points to three

And that is far as Pecci was concerned was the end of the match. The fight went out of his game and it appeared that he had little interest left in the outcome of the match. He began to hit atrocious shots and repeatedly slapped himself on the thigh with his racket in frustration. Scanlon applied the pressure serving strongly and making very few mistakes. Pecci filled to hold a single service game in the second or third sets, the final score

of 7.6.60.60 being is much a tribute to Scinlon's doggedness as it was evidence of Pecci's lick of temperament

The other seeded player to be beaten on the first dis was promising young Yannick Noah winner of the Calcutta Grand Prix in 1978. Seeded number 13. Noah was simply outelasted by Iric Fromm of the United States 6.4.6.4.6.3. While Noah seemed to have difficulty finding his touch fromm dominated every department of the game to take a shock strught sets victory.

I was too slow on the court Noah said afterwards But that to some extent was clused by the fact that the surface was slippers. I had been practising four to five hours over the last ten days and I thought I was ready for Wimbledon but Fromm was just too good. He passed me far too many times. I thought I would have progres. sed pretty far this year especially as Gene Mayer the man seeded in my quarter had withdrawn I was hopeful of reaching the last 16 but I was just outplayed today. Fromm 23 is some thing of an enigma. After two years at the Columbia University this lad from Long Island New York progressed sufficiently to be ranked 120 on the ATP computer Then he concentrated on his academic career and he fell to 356 Finally he switched back to ten his once more won a couple of tourna ments in South Africa and was ranked 124 when Wimbledon began

This is his first appearance at the All England Club and he was so casual

in his approach to the tournament that he played with his doubles partner, racket "I didn't expect to get past the first round I don't even know who I have to play in the second I was lucket today against Noah My backhand in usually the weakest part of my game but it functioned well today"

The other notable upset was the defeat of Guillermo Vilas, the number 10 seed at the hands of Mark Edmond son of Australia, in what was by far the best encounter of the first two days. The balding Australian displayed tremendous stamina and a fine all court game to clinch the issue in the fifth set Both men played fighting tennis and it all made for excellent

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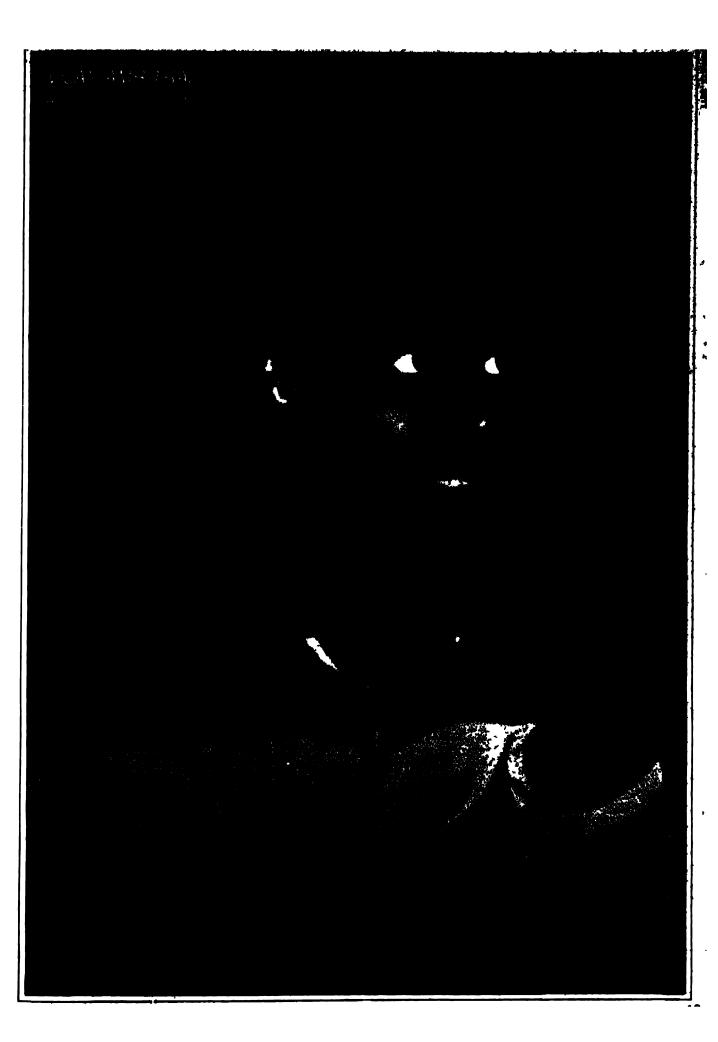
Edmondson dominated the first two sets taking them 6.4.6.1 but Vila tought back strongly in the third and fourth. He seemed to have got over his bad patch, and even as Edmondson advanced to the net to finish off points. Vilas would pass him time and again on each side. The Argentinian began to press home the advantage but Edmondson fought him point for point. There were stages when it looked as if the stocky Australian was tiring but he refused to yield an inch without a fight. Vilas used every trick in the book as he took the third and fourth sets 6.1.6.4 but it was an uphill struggle, all the way.

Vilas had a break point in the fifth game as Edmondson served at two games all but the Australian pulled out a powerful serve to neutralise it and went on to hold serve even as Vilas shook his head in exasperation. There were some builliant rallies in the next game, but Edmondson broke his opponent's service to lead 5.3.

More stunning tennis in the final game saw I dmondson progress to 30. 15 and a thundering smash and stunning serve saw him clinch the final serve 3. It was glorious tennis and the Centre Court crowd loved every minute of it. Ultimately, it was Edmond son's stamina, and determination that won through, but Vilas was a gallant

Jimmy Connots who went into the second round with a 61 62 64 vic tory over Dick Stockton played aggressive tennis giving his opponent no chances at all He attacked on every point creating openings and despatching in thing loose with such power that his grunts could be heard from several vards away. I may be getting older but I don't think about that he said I am playing well and l am happy that I have no injuries I want to play and win this tournament, It I were not eager to take part I would have no business playing here. I hit the ball solidly today and I am happy with the way things are going Stock ton has lost a little since he has been away from tennis for a long time For him to come in and face difficult matches trom the start doesn't do much for his confidence, but he played well "

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England drop catches and match

Former England captain TED DEXTER reports on the Trent Bridge Test

FIFI DING always makes the differ ence More so if it's a right situation, and bowlers are holding the upperhand. This was precisely the case in the opening duel in the current "Ashes' series at Nottingham. The fact that England floored as many as seven catches in Australia's first in nings, all of which went to hand, including two let offs to the top scorer.

in that venture Allan Border, paved the way for another windfall for Kim Hughes comparatively young and in experienced side

Of course, in retrospect, one has to dwell on the performances of the man of the match, Dennis Lillee and Terry Alderman, who in the match as a whole utilised the favourable conditions better than any of their counter

their effect, perhaps, deserved the four-wicket margin they earned for their team Actually, it was quite a remarkable debut for the medium pacer from Western Australia, Alderman, and almost like they did with Bob Massie in 1972, the Aussies have unearthed a bowler ideal for English wickets, and in the process sprung a surprise on their arch rivals Alderman with a haul of nine for 130, in fact, took a wicket more than Lillee and more significantly, showed the ability to carry a strenuous work load from one end But the doyen of fast bowlers being more restrictive—he captured eight for 80—and that after being laid low with pneumonia less than four weeks before the commencement of the tie, for cricketing as well as sen timental reason the vote virtually had to go in favour of Lillee

Interestingly enough, it was not till England batted a second time, that Lillee went flat out by way of pace Indeed, the last three wickets have been an invaluable guide to aspiring





Dennia Lillee looks jubilant after taking the wicket of Gooch in the first innings

fast bowlers as to how one should make optimum use of one's damaged physical resources in crucial encounters—and the one days were only marginal less vital—so that not merely is the objective achieved, but the chance of a break down is also ruled out

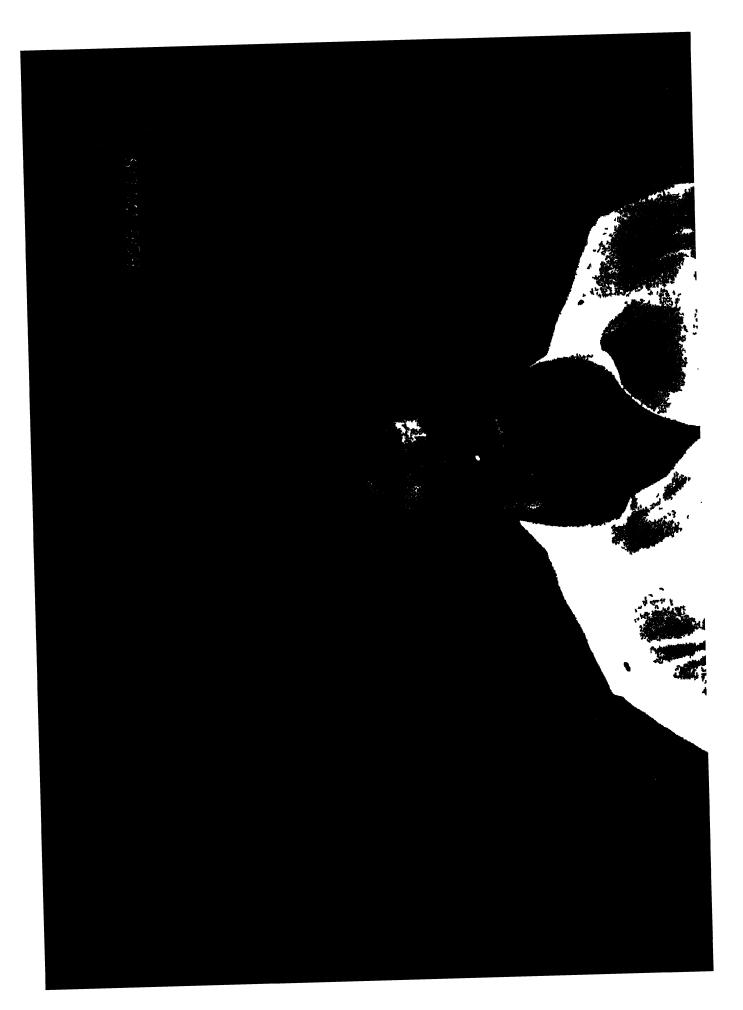
With a yellow sweat band round his head, Lillee cruised in at three quarter pace in England's first outing, after Hughes had put them into bat With immaculate control over line and length, he moved the ball away just enough in his short bursts to trouble the batsmen immensely In fact, England were struggling from the moment he removed Graham Gooch and Bob Woolmer cheaply, and although, Mike Gatting produced a fighting imnings of

52 their total was no better than 185 Rodney Hogg bowling the fastest in the match, accounted for three of the dismissals but such was the dominance of Lillee and Alderman in the second innings that this South Australian hardly got a look in in that stint

At the end of the first day Austra lia were at a most uncomfortable 33 for four, with Bob Willis back in business, having collected his 200th wicket in Tests when trapping Hughes leg before But with the English close in cordon shying away from catches in cordon shying away from catches the next day like Brahmins avoiding contact with leather, the advantage was wantonly frittered away And Bor der compiling 63, with resolute support from the tail, edged his side to

within six runs of their opponents'

Having been extended this new lease of life therefore, the Australian attack handled marvellously by Hughes gave it everything they had, all the fire and flame they could muster to have England bundled out for a paltry 125 Lillee and Alderman split the victims equally between them, and none except David Gower (28) and Ian Botham (33) could put up even a semblance of a fight Gower was out to a smart catch at gully by substitute Martin Kent, but the catch of the match was taken by Graham Yallop in the same position to get rid of Gooch off Lillee in this innings when the fieldsman flung himself backwards to seize a "blinder" It was





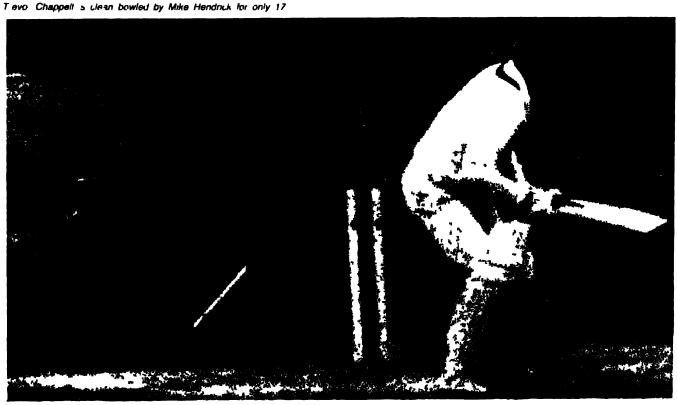


Dyson hits Botham for four

reminiscent of a cetch higher had accepted in the 1956 tour, garded by many as the catch of the century That, of course, is debatable as extraordinary catches have been 1 fairly normal occurrance since the advent and expansion of the structure of limited overs cricket However what one can say quite safely is that one would have to travel many mile to witness a catch of Yallop's calibre and that really underlined the differ ence between the two sides in the match There were no expensive lapses on the part of the Australians in either of the innings, in contrast to the shoddy work by England, and that became an additional source of in spiration for the visiting bowlers

The sun at last came out with some intensity on the fourth day, which was when Australia were set up for the victory bid In circumstances less con ducive to movement in the air or off the pitch, then Graham Dilley in his second spell unleashed a torrid examination taking four quick wickets but by the time that sixth wicket fell the total had already reached 122, and there was no stopping the exultant Aussies John Dyson incidentally played a good innings of 38 before he became the first of Dilley's scalps

It is relevant to note that Trent Bridge has traditionally been the best batting wicket among all the Test centres in England But after the sign ing up of Richard Hadlee by Notting hamshire the groundstaff here have deliberately attempted to prepare a surface to suit Hadlee and his partner Clive Rice although the Notts offspin



sponse in the track as well for the lest, the curator promised a hard surface, but it turned out to be a lot more than that It was generously trassy, and with the sky perpetually overcast, it was a most unenviable battle for batsmen. On a strip like this, a spinner would be reduced to a mere pectator, and not surprisingly, both trams refused the services of slow bowlers. Not often have Fingland at home played without an off spinner against Australia and even the allented John Emburey's claims had to be agnored. Frankly, pitches of this kind do contrive good cricket and the authorities at Trent Bridge should be old so as this is the second summer in incression that they have served up a wicket like this

too, was not always imaginative And throughout the match, the wicketkeep er and the slips were standing back far too much Moreover, he dropped two easy catches

But he has been retained as captain for the second Test at Lord's, where decree will either be confirmed or revoked depending on how he and Fingland conduct themselves. Lord's has got to be Botham's last chance

Bob Woolmer recalled to the England side watches the ball into the hands of Graeme Wood (not in pic) off Lillee for a zero





l've always wanted to play in Calcutta

SARAJIT DEB profiles Fareed, the young player who has come from Hyderabad and wants to make a name for himself in Calcutta

FROM the ultry he it of H decided to the balmy seather of Sringar is a long view but the bossisho trivelled of he view implements on the national football scene he impressed the national electors of much that he

a called to the 1980 pro Ol mpacing. He do played in the Combatore National the following endoughted when the place where he varied compound called for the Aride important. Automal Resident has the potential he approached by the deutrate in Arlet he has unreductively before the place where he longed to place the place where he longed to place the place where he longed to place.

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I was also in the State team in the Comb dore Nationals but the Cuttack National was definitely the best e pecially the match against Bengal No that we not exactly the time when the Lit Bengil Club authoritic had approached me. It we when I we pla ing for Hyderabad XI in the DCM Tournament that they came to me Nothing hove or we finalised then Before I left for Hyder ibid to met urrack e crything was crited. After I had decided to some last beneal, the Mohammed in Sporting official came to me but I told them that the had ome too lare

It is a been my cheriched die im to The in Calcutta become that a con-adered the Mecca of Indian teethall Soy non-the first opportunit some I red led it I knev that is a other prominent linkmen. Amale is and lo eph Machado veuld be joiminthe form I to that did not pre-cut me from taking the decision become I First culd to hard indean uplace in the term I vi naturall di appeinted when I did not set the opp count. Joins the Scattord Cop-Into hen I got the chance in the Tederation Cap Amedra is impared. during the Statford Cup and did not come to Midra a Lined to make the motel it At leat I'm an field yith m performance in the Lederation

After the Tederation Cup he came to Calcotte and trated practicing in Tricht came to make a permanent place for himself in the team. His daily chores starts at 5.45 a m, from his club mess for the practice session. After the hard grind he goes to his office. Being il Immunity and from there back to the mess. I was astonished to know that he too worked in Being il Immunity (both Joseph Machado and Sugas Bera, who were profiled earlier are also employed by the same company). He frughed and answered. Our goal keeper Biswapit Das it the cap ain of our side. He took us in alone with Premitath Philip. C.D. Francis, and Md. Akbar We are quite a formidable side, this year.

He is twire that there are two other linkmen in the side and there is place to only two. It is a boon in dispute I produce all the more because of the competition and I knew whoever play better all set a chance to play. I'm net worried about my competition all I vant to ensure is that whenever I enter the field. I must give in best and conflict my team vans. I areed said thoughtfull.

It the Pengal coach Sinto Mitri is verification and his tremende is mobility. Photoally he may book trul but he his tremendous tenient and has verificated here. He has to every bull and ne criter an oppment official. He hort processed but he must do clop lend through 138. Another thing he hould take cure of is preed. He need to improce his preed it is very difficult to predet at the true hether hell be able to adort to the condition and doubt to induct the might make it. He is ever promising priver and it has a very promising priver and it he is used.

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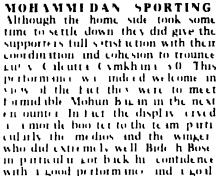
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Calcutta League

Small teams trouble Big Three

Junior teams harassed the three senior teams last week Kidderpore and Aryan looked like snatching points from Mohun Bagan and Mohammedan Sporting, respectively East Bengal also appeared to be quite unimpressive SUBHASH SARCAR and SARA-JIT DEB report



But a vord of caution. The deep detence all have to put more into the some Unles they do it they will be in tor a hock hord. Calcutta G mkh a pardid make some poradic raid but tumbled at the top of the box allowing the rivil renguird to clear. I told my boy impreen times to take first time hot when they were within hooting range but they often hest tated. Then us no the 42.4 strategy it urd with Md zild i with friwil forward did not click. They don't seem to heed id ice complained Gymkh in i couch Pe if Ali wine I told them to play loy and direct football but that wire centonly in the last 15 minutes after to uniption But I must as Manish Bhatracharya formerly of our club did trouble us To a certun extent he trightened the deep de-

The home sides for the oil came in the I th minute when Akb ir scored in opportunistic koal off a be utiful Man-The centre However the goal could have been sived had the keeper anticipated well. The goal was the result of a misunder tanding between Lirun Dis ind stopper Utpil Sur Dis thought Akbar vas Utpal Sur and therefore heatated said Ali adding the second goal was also due to a detence hipse Stopper Subir Biswas could have cloured the ball in time but a dilly dillied and the dimine was | done



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back pass he hat the crosspace and off the rebound. Akb it tipped home. The third god by Bidesh the first this season was a good one. He beat my right back by sheer speed and booted home Said Mr.

ALLIR evenly matched Mohan bagan at the I den Gurdens Mohammed in SC once again continued their vinning spice They buttered Sporting Union (10) on home ground but they yere made to systemation to always before wresting full points.

As an a Sporting it cannot be and that the black ind white his preliensive win variation indication of brilliant performance. In fact at can be said that the pronter team prevaled terve done and admit but hance However to a certain extant the winkers played quite well do pite the fict that Privan banerges vic he ding he rib injury

Minich Bhutichia copened the team's account when a Tapan Da cross went between the legs of winback Dulal Sen for Manash to casually boothome. The first goal was a gitted one. In fact, Utpal Kundu could have tried ifter Dulid Sen mi ed sud Sporting coach Dilip Pal Incidentally Tip in D is proved to be very irritating tor his uncilled behaviour with his junior opponent, and this caused the writh of referee Sunil Adhikiri who showed him the yellow card when he intentionally kicked stopper. Tup in Sinha Roy However, after the incr dent. Minash got one of his best chances of this eason when it point blank range he missed the target after as uling himself of the rebound off a Kartick Seth attempt

Bidesh Bose scored the second goal off a direct free kick which swerved in giving no quarter to custodian Utpal (Kundu This goal was due to bad) walling while the third one by Prasan In trying to clear a Manash I tawas a result of the lack of alertness rand white team were lucky

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Abdus Sittir had nothing much to say but confessed. It was not at all a good match for us. They were very unimpressive My medios tuled utter ly with the result that there was too much pressure on the deep defence But the fact remains that the black

MOHUN BAGAN The home team tried a lot of new players in their match against Bhratii Sangha (This vis their last match before their tie ith Mohammedan Sporting) Subrata hafti icharya Compton Dutta Shyam [hapa and Navier Pius opted to rest before the big match Biswapit Bhat richarya and Sudip Chatterice played their first match of the League (after citing back from the Asiad coaching amp) and it was Biswapit who scored he only goal of the match

In the first half it was more or less in even battle but Bhratri Sangha held territorial supremacy in the miditeld is both the Bigan medios Dipik binerjee and Md. Hibib tilled miseribly Dipik was replaced by Arup Dismother player who returned from the Asiad campi who played as a forward ind Mihir Bose fell back as a linkman like complexion of the game changed after the introduction of Arup Dayho impressed in his first outing. The nly poil came in the 56th minute her Bi want using his height nod ded in from a Survivi Sangupt events.

The new players did not click and that is why we found it difficult to core. It they had done well from the tart I am sure we would have won by comfortable marsin and Mohan basis couch Sank it Banerjee. But attach Samu Br was and that ha team played better than it is a like does and the soal vas die to a momentary lapse. Our delence especiall. Abani Arch. played vall.

In the first match the next week (1) to after the Mohammed in Sporting ties. Moham Bag in notched up their highest tally of the error 6.1 against Kalaghat A new look forward line of Survivit Sens upta Bawaitt Bhat tach as element. D Souza Arup Daeshibited fine under tanding among them else and year 20 up before the



interval Before Francis cored the first goal she missed a couple of chances biswapt got the next two goals Arup the fourth Habib the fifth ind Milin the List

But victory become comewhat bit ter when Utpal Mondal beat the lone defender Sudip Chatterper through sheer peed and enterprine shot giving ou todian Shiving Banerjee no chance it all It was the fatth coal that Mohun Bacan bet in the cason. The be t player from the home side was Mihir who placed a chalf and we all over the field. Arap impressed a an and be writt preced that he has conducted in the back his opportunism. Kalighat coach Subhendu Mursuddi and that the reason behind the deback of his adeay a mijury. After the Last being all match I found as of my placer impacted and the did not get after the factor in the test in matche followed one after the other.

but y hat a contract there y a when Moham bacin placed as an t kidder pare in their econd outing of the week. In fact the home team could have been down by two gods before the breather far to pile driver from Samirmal Chalitzorts, but the crospicer after beating Shi and Bailerge and their a Subhas Modak hot was aved on the line by Sudap Chatteries.

After the interval Sheam Thapa replaced franci D Son a but played i a half with Milhir Bo c moving up is a traker A cloud hank over the first goal. The decision of the referee Sign Sen who made time of the same in wirding circulation which the goal was scored was quetionable. I from where we sat the roal was most add Surapt took the free kick and biswayit shot home with m whole to am look moon. I ven our go d keeper Turun Bo e did not milke iii ittempt to save the shot because he was confident it was off side a said Kidderpore coach Nirmal Sengupta

The econd goal we also off a Surajut centre which Arup half volleved in from close. In the first half one witnessed the vintage Lirun Bose when he fisted away a Surajut free kick for a corner from it visous at both



WHAT is the price of a junior side snatching a point from one of the big clubs? Public humiliation and assault? Well it cems to be so Railway Football Club who have been playing excellent tooth ill this year had guilified for the quarter final berth at the Federation Cup in Made is and in their group league match against Mohun Bagan, they held the grants for 60 odd minutes before conceding two go ils

Maidan musings

in a hurry lest they be humiliated. In fact, the day Mohun Bay in met. Mohammed in Sporting at the Eden Gardens. I ast. Bengal coach Santar Santar was heard telling Railway I Coach Sankar Sankar Congratulations. But sorry I could not entertain your players after the match. You know the iteration.

But if the Rulwiy I C pliver thought they had evaded the danger of humiliation by leaving the field under police protection that due they were sadly much ken. The other day while I ast being all had elighed accurate Rulu than Rulway I Chad a match against Warr of the Mohun Busing towned both the games had ended more or less at the same time and the RI C players were returning to their tent after the match. On their vay they were intercepted and assaulted by people coming out of the Fast. Bengal ground. Even the coach was not spared the humiliation. In the end they returned to their tent escorted by mounted police. A disgraceful incident indeed!

🔪 in earlier issue (June 124) one of our correspondents when writing about the Calcutta clubs had mentioned that it was not known whether the secretary and assist int secretary of Mohun Bagan Dhiren Dev and Sulen Manna respectively had patched up their difference. But the recent report reveal that they here it lit mide up indeverything uppear to be ill right now It is indeed welcome never for the club supporter because unless the tyo top person of relabilimetion in other the clube innot run moothl

THE Mohan Bacan Mohammed in Sporting tie though placed in the beat of pint between the place of both the ide at the I den Carden caused rtewinjurie Iwo Mohun be implier were minical Xivier Pin and Ula math in and one Mohammed in Sporting rekular Pra un banerice While X evier has hurt hi inkle and Ulus in ith in his knee Pri un has got i slight or ick in the ribs Prisun is reported to have told the doctor attending him that no mitter whit happens he would play in the next big match against List Bengal (July 4) By the time this is published it will be known whether the doctor has been able to Let Prisun lit But there was at least one thing that all three shared--none of them took part in any of the matches that were played the week litter the big tic

Coming back to where

began—entertainment and humiliation. Shyamal Ghosh, who had done veoman service for Fast Beilg al for the past few years is playing for Rajasthan this season. As he gave a superb display against I ast Bengal he was showered with the



chie tibie dierihe match by the lattered apporter. Her interes ride by ome of the Lit being il men in ide then tent But actust Subha Lovewhowa vith List being all the insection of to go to the tent for soft drink Onlywhen the to im couch insisted did he nerse to enter the Fast Bengiltent Anidentical incident took place after Last Bengal's match ag un it Listern Rulway when Monoranjin Bhuttuch us a came after the match to the Railway players and coach and exchanged a few words He talked with East Bengal's former (Stafford) and Leder ition) and now the Rulway coach Prabir Majumdar and invited him personally to the tent But Prabit Majumdat did not go in— perĥ ips because he did not want to go to the place from where he was unceremoniously driven out





Surror and Lirun had sone back to a not as that my team placed badly. It then best days. The Mohun Bagan, was just that the other team that I linkmen. Mihir and Habib seemed to get lot on a number of occasions and for a period it was Kidderpore who held control and put pressure on the Mohun Bigin delence. Here Sudip Bengil. It vis in action packed enwas easily the be-t. The others Compton Detta Subrata Bhattachary a and Satvigit Mitral seemed to have in off day

Sink it Baneriec stud. A. I had earlier told you at this team clicks from the start, they will act and like they did against Killighat because all are very opportunitie. But if the denot set in early soil the find it difficult to act boing

I AST BING AT The home adelucka Is carred two point in their match against Aikya Sammilana Aikya fought on equal terms and definitely had the better of the exchange then strikers making deep into ids into the Fist Bengal territory and playing constructive and purposeful football

On the other hand on a muddy ground the home team appeared to be a disjointed lot. Their linkmen- Amil rai and Fareed-were in bad shape and even their mo treliable defender Monoranjan Bhatrachars e Jooked somewhat shaky. The mainstay of the Last Bengal attack-- Mand Backu-was closely marked and was nowhere near his true form. Neither of the terms however could create inv opening and the only goal scored by Majid was more the result of his opportunism than of invthing else C D. Francis centered near the goal mouth and Majid took from a melec a powerful rising shot. List Bengil coach Sinto Mitra rightly summed up the match - It was a superb display by the young side. They played the entire match with the same speed and never allowed us to settle down But I will plived better

Rais a Tootball Club became the first to im to snatch a point from the but te im when they drew ig unst I ast counter both ides going ill out for a vinner. In fact it vis Rulwiy IC who Lot the first opportunity to forge il e id hen Sukum ir Mukherjee took a prempt shot it goal off in Utpal Neorit centre, but it y is saved on the goalline b. Menor injin Bhattachary i the Experior Lat Bengal

In them, it were also deprived of a miliochinee when the Rulwis FC Epper evenuted a time header on the coilline thu preventing a Sinkar Adhikur ver inc hot from entering t the net Prior to this Fee Bengal y a ted a couple of chances the offender being C.D. Leiners and Somenath-I merice who ye do unlucky be cause one of his header, but the crosspiece. In the end coach Santo Mitra tried Monorum in is a triker but that move virilo of no ival

Let Bengal rely a lot on Limshid Ne are and usually all the player lobthe ball in front of the go almouth for Timshid to head down and enable others to core But the players of I ist Bengal seemed to have forgotten that Jumshid was not playing in that match Another reason why Last Bengal Fuled to score was that Mand was closely marked by the young stopper Satvant Ghosh who was never be iten in the air and practically made Majid ineffec tive. Yes my detence played well but so did the other players too. We created a ten chances but failed to score. It is not that my players only detended their coul, they also went into the ittick said the Rulway FC coach Sankar Sarkar The Last Bengal coach blamed his players. It is not that they didn't get chances to score

But if they fail to utilise them, it is their fault '

N the match against Rajasthan Last Bengil could well have dropped another point. They won the match by the odd goal in three but not before clusing some anxious moments for their supporters. The Raissthan detence especially the veteran Shyamil Ghosh withstood the pressure very well and sometimes even moved up to initiate a few moves. Last Bengal went into the lead through a controversial goal. There was a melee in front of our goal and our goalkeeper Farun Dutta had the ball but Fareed kicked it out of his hand and Jamshid pushed it in It was very untain said Rajas than coach Shyamal Bose

Instead of being disheartened Ra justhan started counter attacking and got the equiliser Subhas Roy ran down the right flank beiting both Shekhiran and Sudhii Karmakai by sheer speed and centred the ball Monoranian missed the header and Krishnagopal Choudhurs took a feeble shot it go il It hit the post and went in At the juncture Rigisth in could have shot into the lead but my players were tired and the chances were wisted said the coach. The winner for L ist Bengal was also the result of a controversial decision of the referee Little Sen in iwirding a corner It was from that corner that Jamshid nodded in the match winner. I ast Bengil coich Sinto Mitra said that his team played quite well in the first half but after we got that goal my

That the home team a still to get over the fact that they have lost a point igunst Rulway IC was upun evident in their mitch is unst battern Radway Sudhir Kumakir wi 10 apliced by Shekharan is the left stop per and Thomas Mathews played is left back. This seemed to add solidar ity to the defence to a certain extent because Shekharan played better as a topper than he was doing a lawing back in the last few matches

players became complacent and took

things lightly

Both the coals scored one in each half were ere ited by I need. He work ed tirclest and colered a little kround in the midtield Jimshid scored the first goal after receiving a I treed pas and Somenath Binerice the second by nodding home a breed centre. The other linkmin Amalia, wa not his usual self and was replaced late in the second half by Joseph Machado who however fuled to impress in such a short time

In the forward line, nobody played, well enough to merit attention. Majid. was not fit and so Francis had to play despite a muscle pull. But I was forced to replace Moti Singh and bring in Mand because the forward line was not functioning properly. It was not at all a satisfactory show said Santo Mitra Railway coach Prabin Majum dar said. There is a lot of difference in the quality of the players of the two sides However most of my boys who are inexperienced have tried hard with their limited ibilities

'YOUNG INDIA' CAMP

A SUCCESS **story**

A WIDLEYED teenseer isks Dilip are times when the ball is coming up acyou so fast that you will not be able to even see the ball? How do you tackle

such a situation?

Oh that's a lot of rubbish. There is no question of not being able to see the ball. The only two occasion in all my playing career when I was beaten by sheer piece it was once by Charlie Griffith and the other by Galchrist So saying the salt and pepper haired Sar. destribute on to shadow demonstrate how to get in line of the ball how to take exist a action is iin tathe ii ins delivers the slight mittal buttle and thirgs like that The lad watching the demonstration is highly impressed You used to tackle the fast bowler. like that are Ye even Sund does it Sude a says to temforce his theory about the initial shuttle. The voungster i e en more impre-ed-

Surdes it will one of the free castest cricketers delegated by the Board of Control for Cricket in India to help out with the finer points of their respective department at the 19 divisions for the 'voung India cricket team to tour the United Kingdom in mid July The other four cricketers who spent all tew days with the boys at the camp in the Kirnataka State Cricket Association Stadium in bait dere ere Pama kunt Destr Nuen Timbane Tishan ; Simah Bedi and SVenkatarishiyan ; The services of the extreheter were enlisted for hort period of four or five days to apprement the effort of national coach Mr Hemu Adhik iri and his deput the bangalore based NIS coach Keki Larapere. The far to to the two coaching camp began on Ma-and listed till Ma-1. This var for boy from upon parts of the country who were below the age of 15. The coaching camp for those under 19. Later chiraconcol young India to accommodate some beyond the france began on June 1 and 1) ted till June

Asked about he impressions on the camp Surdesurem rked. One think is absolutely certain and that is all these boys are in perfectly good hands Adhikari has been doine a marvelloujob ill ilong ind he is well apported by Keki. And it I stress the fact that these boys are in very good hands at is simply because there are far too manhalf baked cricket coache nowadays In Bombay for example of course there are a couple of good coaches like Vasant Amladi and R B Kenny But there are a lot of people coaching who are not exactly well qualified (not in terms of degree and things like that) to coach. And a good cricketer or for that matter any good sportsmin cin I ASHOK KAMATH Bangalore

be ruined if he is misguided by a bad coach. These boys have to be careful. not to listen to coaches when they go back. That will only confuse them more ind undo ill that they have learnt in camps like this

But is that really to isible? Would it be right to challenge the authority of say a district sports council coach who may not have the stature of a Hemu Adhikan or a Keki Tarapore?

May be not But I think all these box who have been coached here have to go back and think for hem selves and sort out what is good for them and what is not. There may be difference of approaches between one coach and mother but it is entirely up to the individual player concerned to thank for him elf and sort out what is rood for him and hat a not And it you isk me. I think a coach who can execute is better than one who is merely trained in formal theory. Sade ir opined

The former Indian butsman ended in ing that the entire everer concamps aich i the could be reduced to nought if followup action is not taken. I think it is essential that the board give a directive to all the State a occution to tollow up the good work done in the conchunge implicit tace it there be are a chosen lot The arean the complex are the are

good and have potential

When the et back heme the repective State is octation must enare that they are end dib the right people and their progres monitored from time to time. They must be at en-1 ill encour exment and I vould to to the extent of axing that they hould be given breaks even in the State Purp term You can ear to the access of otherwise of camp such a the confs by monitoring the progress of each one of the box, who have attended the e-comp. Ver, often efind promi inc. ung ter come tite oblivion after a brief spell in the limelight because they have not been given the right tipe of ruid ince indiencouragement and the right break at the right time. A. I. aid a little before. these boy have been elected for the cimp because they are more than ordinarily talented. It is up to the Board to impress upon the State 4880. crition, that the good work done here is followed up and special freatment be given to these boys a six Sarde in

The box were lodged at the KSCA tidium itself they had their food upplied from the club house in the stidium and among other things, they were paid second class train fare to ind tro a Liundry illowince of Rs 75 for each camp and pocket money of Rs 5 for the entire durition of the camp

According to Mr. C. Nagaraj Direc tor of the Bungalore camp the BCCI incurred anything between Rs 70 000 50 000 for both the camps. An interest ing aspect of both the camps was the classes that were conducted—both theory and practice—on the rules of the game for the transces

Adhikari: Some are really good

IN August this year Hemu Adhikari turns 62 The veteran of 21 Tests (including one as skipper) took charge is national coach in 1975. Among the better known names who figured in national level coaching camps con ducted by him since then are Kapil Dev Shivlal Yadav Yograj Singh Ro ger Binny Rayi Shastri and Bharath Reddy And there it a host of State and zon il level cricketers today who at ome time or other have attended camps conducted by Adhikara But as the It Colonel told Sportsworld dur ing an interview while the nets were on in the KSCA Studium in Bingilore what he finds most satisfying is coaching cricketer of the younger age bricket

Adhibiti was in charge of the under 15 boy compand the under 19 camp which followed check with any of the trained or invone else in tic know of things and you'll realise that one of his pet lines is that A cricketer has no business to call him elf cericketer if he is not an efficient fielder. And when you consider Adhikarr is the one who managed Indian lest team and changed many butter tingers on field to life hands in the reent past you under rind why field and efficiency and physical fitness form in important part of all his camp. With irrefutable locie he in ues. You mis once in a way have a bid div and not get run or not get a ingle wicker. But there is no reason why you hould not be in efficient fielder every time you go out to field I ven it vou do not get i'un or wickets on one of your bad days you surely have contributed to your team at you've cut off a few runs and taken the citches that came your way

I ollowing the excerpts of the inter

SPORTSWORLD You have been the national coach since 1975. Has the BCCI given you any particular task for these two camps, apart of course, from preparing the Indian juniors for the forthcoming tour of England?

ADHIKÄRI When I took over as national couch it was on an experimental basis. I was travelling from Srin igar to Triv indrum and from Bom biv to Gauhati holding camps single handedly throughout the country Now we have zonal level coaches and coaching is more decentralised now. I have been asked by the Board to give them a pool of young cricketers—a list of talented pace bowlers, another of leg spinners, off spinners and all other departments of the game In other words, the Board would like to know who are the talented opening batsmen,

or middle order batsmen or leg spinners in the country and it is to sards this end that the under 15 and under 19 camps are being held. There tore my task now goes beyond prepar ing the team for the England tour At he end of all the camps—including the one for physical conditioning for those selected for the England tour-I will submit individual reports on each one of the lads who have attended the cimp here in Bangalore. These indisidual dossiers will be maintained and like I said that it is from this lot that cricketers for each department of the same from which our future Test cricketers will be made. This will be a continual exercise

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SPWD What are your impressions ibout the kind of talent you had at the cimp for 'under 15' boys'

ADHIKARI To begin with there were some people who telt that the boys who came were substandard. But by the time the camp ended those people charged their opinion. I was very satisfied with the youngsters Some of them are really good. In fact the junior selection committee de cided to return four of the boys. Chetin Shirmi eright erm medium pacer from Harvina A. Chatteries elett irm medium picer from Hyder abid) Kuldeep Singh (right hand middle order but from J.P.) uid Aliq Ahmed (1) ht am leg pinner from UP) for the under 19 cmp. The c tour are taking their claim for inclusion in the term to tour Inclind

Turther I im of the opinion that coaching bo under the age of 15 r. better because then the some bemoulded well. That the age when you embred and build is it were By the time ecricketers in his late teen st has hard to make him discard the bad habit he may have acquired by then That is vibilitimal at personally more to play back or tay and until a time truttual to couch lade in their early to me, when he does not require the

SPWD Can you tell us something ! about your approach to coaching some ispects which are different it not unique 1

ÁDIIIKARI My upprojekti ver school teacher like A good chool teacher i one who encourage the young ones to think on their ovin-There is no such that a the go pel truth or whatever the coach sale must be followed blindly. I make it a point ! to explain every point I on making In the simplest term and then timulate the trainer to think it out for him eltunder tind it and it amilities. That is why I alvies encourage the hy lf I tell aparticular boy that aparticular stroke he i plivini i toni lido explain why it is wrong and how it can be better. In other words, the trunce has to be convinced that the alternative suggested is good for his a mic

When these boys for the under 15 camp arrived in Bangalore I spent a considerable amount of time watching them individually making note on their strengths and weakneses and things like that only then did I approach the coaching proper

Another thing is that the boxs are

divided into groups, according to the department he is specialising in Now let's take the pace bowlers group When one chap is operating all the other pace bowlers are expected to stand and watch him bowl and then comment upon it. Thus, I encourage student to student level criticism and discussion. At a larger level, this sytem works towards the individual being his own critic and coach SPWD It is very obvious that there

is a pronounced accept on develop ment of fielding abilities in the camp

ADHIKARI Yes I don't think inv cricketer is complete without him being a very good fielder. He has no business to call himself a cricketer it he is a sloppy fielder. Also I don't like this business of being a one position tielder. Specialise in a position it you will but don't say that I am good only in a close in position or in the deep. A complete eacheter is one who can throw iccurately eatch safel from the boundary is well as from a close in position

SPWD What is that stick that you have behind the stumps and parallel to the popping crease?

ADHIKARI That is for the wicker keeper. The moment he typs on the stick to collect a delivery he know the has not moved parallel and in line of the ball. The tick restrict his move ment and he himself i in mediatel aware that he has not moved right. In uch as tem the coach need not be it the porto tell him he has moved vious the tick will tell him of the mill circle in front of the poppin crease denote the good length pot Initially we have a larger circle and then reduce it radius B bein able to identify the according the per he intomittedly traing to decide whether to play back or fary aid until a time I democation

For the pinner I is the lids to concentrate only teperaty nly of pumming the best Only offer he has required a reasonable ability to purthe ball do ball him to practice length. When a bowler boyls with ut a batmin tiems him all the three tump ire placed and he is a ked to attach a particular tump danctor and time

Then we use a wet tenne I all to enable a young ter to get used to the rime deliver we do her hir like charyith ever narow blide c cut in inch from each edge of the Luof mold but to force the file of pla with a translit but and from the ment of it. There are one of the imple technique, ve u e tocctivet i player

SPWD We notice that some of the specialist bowlers have long batting sessions at the nets

ADHIKARI Yes now idiv there is no such think a number nine ten and not being expected to bit I vervone has to be able to but to get a few run or to support a regular pecialist batmen toward the end of the innings That is why even the boyler are expected to practise butting it the



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SPWD How were the Lightnes at

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County Cricket Review

Surrey are the new leaders

ASHIS RAY reports from London

I was in action picked week and If was an action packed west up befittingly to the slight improvement in the weather. To put it is little more graphically the Australian played Middle ex and empherical that their batsmen are much better off. in brighter weather a hint of which they got in the one die. In the Schweppes County Champion hip a well as in the John Player League those who have been doing the earlrunning namely Nottingham hire and Su sex a spectivel have both local bit of Fround Surres are the new leader in the Count, championship while Somer er have drawn level with Su sex. As for Srill inka who teatured in two outing in he week concerned. they have hardly done their ispace tion of joining the link is in much cood a result of being it the receiving end in both the texture includes, the one with the Combined Universitie And by no me in the into into two sweek in which kipil Design ide his debut for North imptonshire demonstrating of an amount of promise with the indication of better thing to ome first think first though and the Australian. The much with Middle excit the let yarming before the lest serie and it transpired to be a bir of in introlim is after the rator plendid how in in the ever limit international. Indeed without in intart rence leaves the much three been hard put to the Australier cplied ath 140 to the reign ini Count champion 150 But in the econd knocl. Mike Brearley effortlessly took 1/2 not out att the Au trahim attack to set them a target of 200 to win Never quite qual to the chal-lenge Kim Hughe team timished on 144 for four

Au triba man worry after the tie was the inability of their barsmen to cope with wet wickets and a heavitmo phere. Of course, these customary I ngh h traits pose problems to the best of foreigners a in most other put of the world placer are accutomed to unity if not wirm condition including the Ausic who plathe game during their summer

Alone with this concern a the bother about Hughes form. This ery gifted but min has accumulated only 226 runs in 15 inning since he left Austrahame ally May and that can t be good. news for his quid-

There was one interesting aspect to

hi countre. In fact he booked quite impressivel in the meeting but with our appropriate reward. In any calc the que tim of ommindeering hi ervice i ne lon er i li e i ue i Terr. Addernian and Geott Layson. particularly the form relate done enough to an Eather tour selector that there is no need for replacement from it quarter O et aid abore Denni Lillee seem to have traced a remarkable recovery from healthe What mere can the men tom the Antipodic is for Oh or there we a mill eff the field row in the match mantioned. An traliaturned to a the ICCB proposition is minimum of a 100 o er in ada in the Test on the plea that the condition And been to eduction to mine party had be a horn. The rejection rather late in the day naturated lord child by latt the Augic and hac ite houde out In the Cunt champen hip the weekend one produced vin tor Hamp his and kent ho set the better of Werce ter hire in I Su exr jeetrel Humphir 1111 helped mort by the Lovinia of Free (Jet eriktum medem prer hol

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PHI dran some to verere p I mark tale for one and adult per Trimmer with Eich und Hadler et time a 100 and picking up tour for 16 l placing for Northerhandhure, et u-York hire who however had their own hare of published when Goott Beyoutt responded with a ton. In the Les Derbolmed ich John Lever in j h timer colour collected eight ter is in the match. And to capit ill Zaheer Abbach immered 215 and 150 both unbeiten cores for Cloucester 3 hire is in t Somerset to curve out a real niche for himself. The only bats a min in the history of the game to nthup ecentur and a double century in a march thrice he improved on this feat with this ichievement The error the be pectacled Paki to nih i looked in a good anick is 1978. which needle s to state as welcome development for his County and country

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Player of the week

Zaheer Abbas



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main, and trun I experienced Middle experience which we do not but of image of Freurle plans for the local of a 100 m the match

hich made is three figure cannot in a recent receiting for hims and other than that Sometset inflicted at an in min and of runs rever con Not inglam him him and Suries is four wicket humilitation on I just have The last two results are important since Nott have been heading the table for the greater part of the carly phase but now Suries with 50 points from seven come (the same as their rival) are 15 points clear Indeed Sometset with as many point a Notts but with a game in

hand at much better place!
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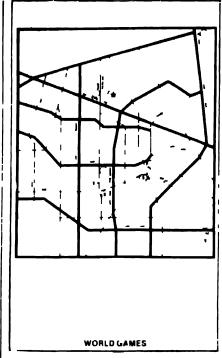
I mill the Sri Linkin necotrating the Combined Universities at Oxford were and by the bell and yere with then let acket pan just about hold incour in the econd innine. When posed to Clouce for line, they conceded a double hundred to Sidig Mohammed and a hundred to night witchnen Phillip Bunbridge is the County amaged 416 for two after the tomist had been bowled for them the first minn. Of course storal of 598 in the econd senture alvised prestige for the isitor, but to clear that there sa more otheredigital action to Au triller it home thin in t good cricket

A token appearance at Santa Clara

The first casualty of the first World Games is powerlifting says MONOJIT BOSE. Vice President of the International Powerlifting Federation (Asian zone) explaining the reasons that led to the decision.

In the rane of Spirt world dated April 29. In the other in the World Games, at Santa Chara Chiler Chilering powerlitting competition, and be held on zonal bara. If litter present estected on the base of performing at the 1980 Arhinetar I call fring World at the American certain migore quart combinded Varia and Pacific one helder a rother and the terminant quart for a proper intermed in the only a token appearance in the first World Camp.

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which the expected profits from TV contracts had been estimated to be between 5 500 000 to \$ 1 million On this bar is the IPF disbursed the major portion of passage money to all it selected powerlifters and official from the IV contract reveaue alread cained for the 1981 World Powerlifting Championship to be held in Carcutta at the Netau Indoor Stadium Incidentall, the 1982 Worlds will be taged in Munich while the venue for the next World Champion hip as yet to be determined.

but y hen the World Came commuter a contacted recently the IPI Projector Mr V Mercer of UK came to rean that no IV contract has been made at and it validability a doubtful whether an product will be realized at all from the Came Therefore the came the tion of our participation as is only and the decrease of the UK and the decrease of the UK and the treat the Lagrangian and have reached about \$8.000.

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News round-up

Grewal shines ın Malaysia

NEW DELHI Austrors to Indian Air I lines House New Delhi cannot miss the glittering new trophy that stands is the litest showpiece on the recepnonist stable itself. It is the Rank Cup which their star studded hockey te im brought back from the recent Malaysian National Hockey Cham

picnship at Pen ing

from all accounts the tame ave in impres ive display to be come the first ide to take the troph out of that country But it will apity that it home coming wir mirred by ome adverse publicity boom cone of its members was isked to partitled sumby the cultom at Nev Delhi Airport for undeel ned items. A local eveninger plashed the for all over it. Font

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The trouble at the Cus on counter apart Indian Airline created rai indimpression with their hockey in-Malay 14 Sukhbu Sungh Grey alathe entre fory aid who earlier could not find uplace in the hot 41 probable tor the World Cap a crownia succes at Penane toppine the corer list with 15 road. He at toll weed be Zatar Iqbal who had even

According to the off poken and According to the off-poken and read Armed Forces 5. Zorundding un issuming Zulu Crev il played well a took as statches on his head after because he undertool the tour after some much needed reat. The atdeness that one noticed at the intersional tournament in New Delhi in May wa left behind so to speak. The fresh looking Grewil visitull of idea and new found energy. Also perhaps be cause A hok Kum u-veter in of four World Cups and two Olympic was there to put him through the gaps. To the Malaysian Ashok magacot the 1975 Ku da Lumpur World Cup appeared very much in tact. Mery in Lern indez Til iluddin and Vince Kumar were others who caught the eye of students of hockey in Milavia

The team enjoyed its hockes on the perfect natural grass pitches of Penang The nearest to those pitches in India according to Zutar Iqbal is the one at Barabati Stadium. Cuttack The weather also was perfect. As for the umpiring it was better than what



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To improve Malay ran booker hockey tederation of that countries Lery curments to remember in This ve a there yere tour including lengt United at of Japan many of who c place had placed for the lap mese. Ministre Let Nehru fournament. The t Tup me e Univer its give Indian Anline it toughe thight before come down 1.2 in the semi-final

The tournament we also accumknockout competition 15 te im beins di ided in three roup, with the top, ty o meach group quality ingtor the quarter final league. As un the top. two merch group made the lema find which were knoclout matche

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In the quarter tinal league thes be it Per ik and Schangor its ole idin-Malaysian hockey playing States 50 and 7.3. Grewal sections four goals including that track against Selangor

Then after besting fener Universit ty in the semi tinals, the Airline again to thr ished Sel ingor 5.1 when the te ims met ag un in the fin il

In the six day interval before they could catch the flight back home the Airlines went but un to Kuala Lum pur where they be it a Malaysi in selection 4.2 before losing to Sel ingor Police 0.3 at Kling They then moved turther south for two more triendlies lat Sing spore where they be it Indian

Gymkhana 3 2 and Khalsa Association

On return home several of the Airlines players had hardly recovered from the jet lag before they had to pack their bags to be at the coaching cump for the World Cup probables

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Ambala to have a sports complex

AMBALA It was a day of great joy for the sports loving people here, the most important centre of ports activity in Harving when Mr. L. S. Oth c Harvana I in meral Commissioner and Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, End the found ition stone of a symmetrium at Ambida Cantonmentae cently

The Exmitter rum which forms the In tiphic of ithree phased sports complex project will have use time cipicity of 1 000 pectator. It will be built be the Public Work Department on in arc rot 1.670, quare virds of Lind it in e-timated cost of R 14 lakh The complex is especial to be completed in a period of one year

It will be provided with ophisticited equipment inditiolitic for symmatics bosine wrestling weight litting badminton and table tennis It will be run by the Hary in a State Sports Department and maintained by the Ambala sadar Municipality

The second phase of the infrastruc ture will comprise a wimming pool at and timated cost of Rs 6 lakh to be spent by the municipality here. It will have teration and chlorination plants

A fadium which is the third phase and timated to cost Rs 10 lakh. It will have a catange apacity of 6 000. Adequate facilities for development of ind competitions in various games will be provided

Agrant in aid of Rs 29 000 has dread been incremed by the State Sport Department for basketball ourt

Ambidich i produced many out standing port per on dities and its comments matmen footballers and table tenni players have won laurels repeatedly in national and international competitions. It is therefore in cithe fitness of things that it should be pro-ided with something like a sports complex for exploiting the great falent It has in the field of sports and games

For decades, the demand for a studium has been voiced. And it was in respon a to the demand that in the shape of the war heroe memorial st idium which was set by the late Brigidica U. B. S. Verma the then Commander Ambala Sub Area and President of the Ambili Cantonment Board. The intention was to develop it into a full fledged modern stadium but little v as done thus t ir except for the construction of two small rooms for housing the office of the District Sports Officer

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Sportspeople

The giant falls —gently

As the last putt rattled into the 18th hole overjoyed spectators rushed on the green and effortlessly swept a burly 230 pound frame off the ground

This was an unusual display of emotion particularly at the Royal Cal

cutta Golf Club

But who could blame the crowd' for the first time an (this record remains unrivalled) Indian had prised the Indian Open out of foreign hands. The Indian amateur had won by 8 shots from a field of professional golfers which included Peter Thompson who won his fifth British Open cham.

pionship later that year

The year was 1965 and the burly trame belonged to none other than 36 year old Prem Gopal Sethi- Bil loo as he was lovingly known by all This was Billoo at the pinnacle of a golfing career which included six all India titles seven Cevlonese cham pionships and numerous zonal titles and club championships. The following year he field for second place in the Indian Open was 6th in the individual placings at the Lisenhower Cup in Mexico City and was ranked the 6th best amateur in the world by the Golf Digest Even before these leats he had been awarded the Arjuna Award for golf in 1964

Born in Stingar on November 26 | 1929 Billoo was N.R. (little) Sethi s lifth child. Even in his childhood he had all the endearing and athletic qualities for which he became famous later on Toshi his eldest sister recalls how readily his school friends would leave their bicycle for Billoo ind walk to school themselves. Madan his elder brother remembers. Billoo s first attempt at hammer throwing in college—which in spite of licking any technique was good enough to set a new record.

Though he started playing golf at 18 he was more keen on cricket. That immensely strong trame could hard the ball with considerable velocity in the India a Military Academy matches during 1949-50. He was also no mean performer with the bat and holds the distinction of smashing the time piece at the Eden Cardens with an almighty bloom.

But team games were too suffocating for his individuality and for him golf was the ideal solution. Initially Ghulam Mohamad (who is one of the finest teachers in the country even today) took him under his wing and helped stoove that easy and powerful swing. Fogether they spent hours under the chinar tree on the practice faitway in the Stinagar Golf Club Everytime he visited Srinagar he always remembered to have practice

session with Ghulam Mohamad under the same old tree

Those who were fortunate enough to watch him play will recount with admiration the sheer power and control with which he struck the ball. At the Srinagar Golf Club the older mcm bers will still tell you how his drive carried the vawning fairway bunkers on the 4th how he drove over the fence the bund and into the Jhelum canal on the 8th and shattered a window pane in the club house with his drive off the 9th



B lloo Seth

Bindy I if one of Billoo's closest friends who has watched some of the best golf Billoo played recalls incredu lously one shot at the Delhi Golf Club Pitted again the each other in the all India they were all square after eight holes. On the 9th (which used to be a pain 5) both drove down the middle but unfortunately Billoo's ball settled into a deep divot. Bandy calculated that Billoo could only make a five and if he was extremely lucky he might hole out in four.

Flushed with contidence Bindy took out a wood and stroked his ball on to the green for a certain birdie and throw at Billion

threw i triumph int glance at Billoo Meanwhile in his inimitable fashion Billoo was stalking the ball with his arms folded and thinking hard about the next shot. As usual after consulting his caddie, he plucked out a 2 iron, waggled the club thrice and

brutally smashed the ball through the divot. The ball was hit with such ferocity that it shot off low and trulke a bullet aimed at the flag and came to a halt eight teet away from the pin. The putt for an eagle again a Bandy's birdie made him one up and the overawed Bandy never really going after that Bandy later recalled

The ball was hit so hard that anyone else would have broken his arm While tew people could hit the ball 1 tar as Billoo even tewar could hit it with his case and control. When he ! was playing well he could hit virtually every shot irrespective of the distance or lie to within a few feet of the flar During the Indi in Open which he won those who were present still remember his second shot on the 15th or the 16th as it is played today. Billoo pushed hi tee shot into the clump of trees on the right and the ball came to rest about two feet from the remnants of a brick will. His troubles were compounded by the burner of trees preventing in direct shot to the green

After a long wait the spectator heard i firm crack and when no bill appeared they reckoned that it had hit the trees and remained anside. Suddenly there was a light cheer which will inched into a thunderous roar a the ball rolled gently on to the green. Then a torrent of spectator rushed to the spot where the ball had lain Billoo was the repointing upwards to a tiny grip in the foliage with the slight by bruised 9 from that he had used to bring off a minor mirricle.

Billoo was a thorough gentlem in or and off the course. He not only used to generously concede a lot of putts but alway took the trouble to pick up the bill ind place it in his opponent hand It was a moving sight to see him and the stylish Rajkumar Pitamber his great triend and golfing companion giving each other putt litter putt in their frequent. Lishes in the all India more memorable than his golf shots was the person himself looked like a grant but when he smiled and he smiled all the time he seemed like an overgrown schoolboy That smale reflected the abundance of kindness and warmth that resided within him. He had a kind and encouraging word for everyone and it wish t surprising that the others responded with a little extra special love

When the news of his death teached the Delhi Golf Club the members were too shocked to continue with their Sunday gime and is a mark of respect they wilked back solemnly to the club house.

The rapport which he had with the caddies and bearers in every club had to be seen to be believed. He was received with the reverence of a king entering his domain. When the bearers saw his formidable trame looming on the fairways approaching the club house hasty and elaborate preparations would begin for the feast which would ensue.

On a hot Sunday afternoon some years ago, he arrived at the Delhi Golf

Club to find the place unusually quiet The caddies had gathered around the cinteen and were refusing to lift bags unless their pay scales were raised Eventually, Billoo walked up to them and a few gentle words later the caddies and agewalay came streaming on to the course

The caddies agewalas and markers' also came streaming to his functial. The sight of being cremated with his putt was too much for them and some of the older ones openly burst.

into tears

Golf was his life and eventually it was his passion for the game which prevented him from recuper iting com-, pletely. He wasn't even in ire that the pain which started on his left side while playing the 13th hole at the Follygunge Club during the Dunlop Cup last November was the beginning of a heart littick. Ignoring the pain he birdied four out of the next five holes Alas the pain got the better of him and he collapsed on the 17th green For him the tracedy was not the heart attack but its timing. Had it waited for another 15 minutes he may have completed one of the finest round of his career pultione week before his 51st. - birthd is

He recovered from the first attack but not sufficiently to that playing obtholes a day in Dellius May temperatures. He heart goes was again on June 4 and he had to be revived with electric shock. He recovered from the meartral attack. Intortunately some of the clotted blood got lodged in the artery leading to the intertunately against the artery leading to the intertunately given up hope on the 19th afternoon but the resilient oldier buttled on for mother two days.

He didn teoncede that he had met his match until the end but when the winning putt was holed he accepted the verdict with that perennally distance mile.

Premature death

A BRILLIANT curer come to in abrupt end the other divident the 16 vein old promising middle order barsman Rineet Bhingo the Captain of the Local Stadium Juniors Leim (Chandigarh) met with a motor like accident and died on his way to the hospital

I ast se if he had represented Punjab and North Zon in the Vijay Merchant Cricket Tournament for under 15 and scored 87 against Delhi and 65 against Harvan'i but not clicked in Bombay y here he did not plain the finals. However his performance had enabled him to carn a place in the national camp held in Stimagar it May 1980.

The Bh in the training come to Chandigath in 1979 from Lamil Nadio where his lather Mill Shango an IAS officer had died in an accident The NIS Coach at the Cricket Stadium here, Mill Pazad sas natural talent in the boy and picked him up for coaching



He will in idmired of Sunil Call a though the tyle of his batting was completed different from that of his idol. As id fold this correspondent that he had printed high hope on this hand ome box who because of his Matriculation I vanimation had not played much cricket this car Kapil another product of the Stahum had once opined that this bo would one day represent his country but day that day ould never come

Promising

THE 25 year old athletic built Arymder Piul Singl of Punjab y ho stand five feet 101 mehe in his ock at attaining dry heralit in bosing in West Cermany A a emiprofessional boyer he has of the longht 9 bouts not horr pan of four car in We Germany A ander Pauls deadly punche ent 21 opponents reeling Besides he has won eight fights on points to on equal term, and in the remaining eight he was detected technically

He is a member of the Mitcheder Ir (1) (1) (1) (1) (2) (1) Schrobenhausen Giving det al. of hit training programme he said that had practised 30 likh kit bag punche 45 likh speed ball punche 30 likh shalow hoding punches 18 000 sparing round. He has also covered a distance of 4 000 km during cross country races (this include said running) and 1 (00 km sprint. Recreational cames include swimming cycling football rugby gymnastic exercises and yeight training.

He is training under Ludwig Seis sleet (chief) Josef Smidt accound from eri and Curmann assistant trainer. Rinauer is the rechnical advisor who speaks highly of Ludwig Arvander is of the opinion that a boxer's success depends on how his coach handles his trainee in the changed circumstances.

Dr S K Bhandari of Sector 22 Government dispensars in Chandigarh introduced this boxer who weighs 63 5 kg and has powerful shoulders and good reach Dr Bhindari was treating the pain in the knuckles of Paul's right hand Now fully cured Arvinder Paul has resumed practice and plans to be back to West Germany very soon

He affectionately calls the couple with whom he stays. My German pirents. Werner Vitzhum and Rosl Vitzhum not only inspire but guide me ilso. Though my father desires that I should continue my boxing career my mother is against it because she says that I should now exercise my brain muscles too. Mr. Werner is a free lineer and writes tourist guides, while hi wite helps him in sketching maps.

In March 1976 Arvinder's triend Bilder Singh made arrangements in West Cermins with MTV for his train ing He warmed up the cockles of a goodly crowd when on February 27 1977 he pounded a few pugilists of Munich into submission. It was his first



bout which give him added confi-

Among his other experienced opponents were Sherrif of Yugoslavia. Yil drin of Turke. Coco of It dy Letner of Sal burg (Australia) a Spaniard. Meischampion of the Military Team of Holl ind. Dosch. Quisser of Nordstern (North Star). West Germany.

Arymder started his boxing career in India in 1972 when he participated in the Curu Nariak Dev University Championship. He defeated both of his opponents with a flury of punches in the feather weight class and went on to win the all India inter university crown next year. Some year he made his debut in the senior Nationals at Quilon at the age of 161. In the semi-final he went down tighting to the experienced 23 year old N. David

In the 1974 YMCA boxing championship in Delhi Arvinder claimed a bronze medil. He will the ring lender of the Curu Ninik Dev University from 1972 to 1970 and wis also the winner of the Himich il Pradesh open championship from 1973 to 1975.

CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Crowd used spikes to help win Test

Just before lunch on the final day of a Test at The Oxal Australia needing 5.2 to win averein a desperate plight, their fifth wicker had fallen at 6.5. England looked odds on but after a freak storm during the lunch inter all flooded the playing aren a the odd verein tayour of an abandonment of the match.

However, thanks to the England captain. Colin Cowdrey. The Osal ground staff and volunteers from the crowd, the ground was miraculously made fit for play—and after the log of a a hour play. England very enabled to match a sensational wing with the minutes to space.

In response to an appeal from Cowdrey spectator joined the knowlest at an spiking the lower outfield are is and mopping up countle gallons of water In the Australian Fronder Imag Commission book. I rater in the Chappel—the Australian captum later described the events. The ground was thoulded by a torrential downpour—for Australia in unwarranted repriesses for England gloom.

The run eventually stopped, the ground vi colored with little chance of placy is the taxo mic retrain in the Australian dies ingroom (Ho vever Colin Coadre i mersed from the dressing room, umbrelly held high is light run begin to full Colin moved gracefully through pool of water to the boundary. The ground was still half full or English pectators. He talked for some time with the spectator—then produced a teat that Bill Grah im would have been proud of The spectator poured on to the rain soaked Ocal all armed with iron bars and started pounding hole in the sicred Oxil tuit and the water gradually disappeared. My only thought was of Bill Witt the curitor of the Melbourne Cricket Ground who complains when players walk on The Oxal to inspect the damage caused by rain, let alone 500 odd spectators England was expecting and they answered the call

Play was resumed at 4.45 with Australia 86 for five England then bowled for 40 minutes without success. But then Basil D Oliveira bowled Barry Jarman

who in the words of his captain, had batted beautifully for 21 vital runs

Cowdrey brought Derek Underwood back to bowl and he used the drying conditions to such effect that he claimed tour of the last live wickets in 27 balls. In an incredible climax England had won by 226 runs after having taken five wicket, and bowled 20.3 overs in the last hour of play. The last of Underwood's see in victims, for 501 in Australia's second innings of 125 was a bats many ho had opened the innings and was on the lenge of carrying his bat when he padded up and was lbw. He had made 56 after 250 minutes of patience and vigilance.

QUESTION Who was the opener who according to his captain had played his best innings for Australia?

The Australian captain himself had top scored in his team's first innings with 155 out of 324. I store innings which begin on the second evening of the match and ended on the tourth morning It was the only century scored in Australia in a series which resulted in a win to each side with three Tests drawn.

QUESTION Who was this captain who because of in-

jury, had had to withdraw from the previous Test after having played in 46 straight?

Another opener an Englishman also distinguished himself in this Test by top scoring for the match with 164 made in 714 hours. In England's second innings he made 17 to take his aggregate tor the series to 554. The only batsman on either side to top 350 his aggregate was only eight fewer than Denis Compton's 562 in 1948 highest against Australia in England.

QUESTION Who was the England opener?

An auspicious debut was made in the titth Test of this series by a 23 year old Australian bowler who claimed Colin Cowdrey's wicket with his tifth ball in Test cricket and also made a prolonged defiant stand with the bat. He wound up with five wickets for the match—three in England's first innings (Cowdrey Basil D Oliveira and Alan Knott) and two in the second (John Edrich and Cowdrey again).

After England had made 494 in their tirst innings Australia had to rely on their tailenders to avoid the follow on and the bowler making his debut held out the England attack for more than three hours in making 43 his highest score in Tests.

QUESTION Who was the Australian bowler who

made such an impressive entry into Test cricket?

He was a great player and he had the best temperament of any cricketer I ever played with or against —Sir Donald Bradman. He was the serenest hatsman I have known. Whatever may have passed under that calm brow—anger joy disagreement surprise relief triumph—no outward sign was bet rayed on the field of play —R. C. Robertson—Glasgow.

He was correct in all he did on and off the field—he was the finest hooker of the short pitched ball I have seen —Sir Leonard Hutton

QUESTION Can you name him?

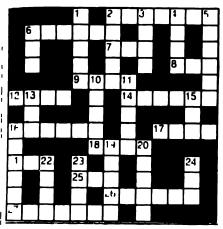
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- 1 Arthur Wellard Standing 6ft 2in Wellard ! had very strong hands sometimes used a bat weighing 2lb 11oz
- 2 The left hanger Joey Carew In the Governor General's XI—West Indies match he made amends for his expensive over by hitting second top score 75 in the West Indies second innings
- 3 Gordon Greenidge
 4 Majid Khan for the Pakistanis against Gla
- 4 Majid Khan for the Pakistanis against Gla morgan at Swansea in 1967. He made 147 not out
- 5 New Zealander John Reid in an innings of 296 for Wellington against Northern Districts

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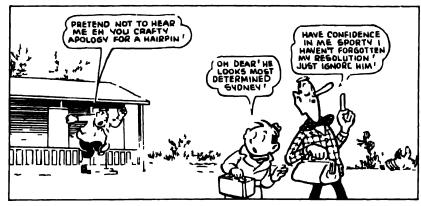
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- Degree of proficiency returns in mar tial arts (3)
- To head in the land of sleep (3)
- Also played on a billiard table (4)
- Collection of both wolves and cards 12
- -Schbak won the discus throw at the 76 Olympics 14
- 15 West Indian cricketer ends with Indi as National Airline (6)
- Large headed nail is a place where 17 horses are bred (4)
- This kick is used in Rugby (4)
- Eldest Chappell (3)
- 25 Cricketer's dream comes back (3)
- 26 Christian name of India's National Snooker Champion (6)
- 27 To join a tournament (2 5)

DOWN

- A striker has got to be a-shooter (5)
- Housie or Tombola (5)
- To deliver this costs one run in cricket (4)
- The talented terrible Czechoslova kian tennis player (4)
- Former champion English jockeys first name is a comic character (6)
- Entrails are a material for racket strings (3)
- Australian dog runs back (5) Tennis term and athletic command 11 gives release (3 2) Not me (3)
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- Racegoer rises (5)
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- A baseball team (4)
- 23 Not the plain ball in billiards (4)
- To offer a price in bridge (3)

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Pradeep Shaw, Asansol

Q Who were D Lillee's first fiftieth hundreth one hundred fiftieth two hun dred and two hundred fiftieth Test vic tims?

1st Alan Knott of England 50th Mushtaq Mohammad of Pakistan 100th
I V A Richards of West Indies 150th B E Congdon of New Zealand 200th J K Lever of England 250th G R Vish wanath of India

Jayadas Chelur Trichur Shibnath Ghose Bhubaneswar

Q Please give the names of S Yadav and Yashpal in full

(Solutions next week)

Shivial Nandial Yadav and Yashpal Sharma

Q What is the highest individual score by an Indian in Tests?

A 231 by Vinoo Mankad against New Zealand at Madras in 1955 56

Q Who holds the record of playing most number of Test matches?

A M C Cowdrey of England who played 114 Tests for England

Adii Rahman Patna Q What are the Test batting records of

Kapil Dev and Sandeep Patil?

A Kapil Dev 32 Tests 47 innings 4 n o 1 150 runs 126 n o highest score 26 74 average one century 6 half centuries and 6 zeroes Sandeep Patil 9 Tests 16 innings once no 635 runs 174 highest score 42 33 average one century and 4 half centuries

Abhijit Ghosh Ranchi

Q Who scored the slowest century in

Tests and in how many minutes? A Mudassar Nazar of Pakistan who took 557 minutes to reach his 100 against England at Lahore in 1977 78 R K Chatterjee, Uttarpara

Q Could you please let me know where and when former English skippers D R Jardine and M C Cowdrey born and

what were their birthdates?

A D R Jardine was born on 23 12 1900 at Bangalore and M C Cowdrey on 24 12 1932 at Bangalore in India Ravi Nasik

Q How many Test cricketers have scored more than 6 000 runs in Tests cricket? A 5 from England 2 from Australia 2 from West Indies and one from India have aggregated over 6 000 runs in Tests Faisal Egbal Patna

Q What is the date of birth of Ravi Shastri?

A 27th May 1962 at Bombay

Nelam and Madhu Upadhyay, Stage! Q Please give us the details of the triple century scored by Sir Gary Sobers? A Sobers scored the world record figure of 365 n o in 10 hours and 14 minutes with the help of 38 fours. He was 21 then and it was his very first three figure i innings in Tests G S S Kumar, Vijag

Q Who is the second highest wicket taker in Test cricket and to which country does he belong?

A Freddie Trueman of England who has captured 307 wickets in 67 Tests Sanjeev Upadhyay, Deihi

Q Who are the lucky bowlers who have achieved the hat trick in their debut Tests?

A P J Petherick of New Zealand who performed the hat trick on his debut in Tests versus Pakistan at Lahore in 1976

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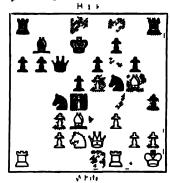
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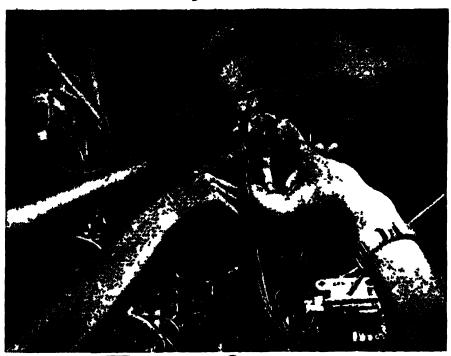


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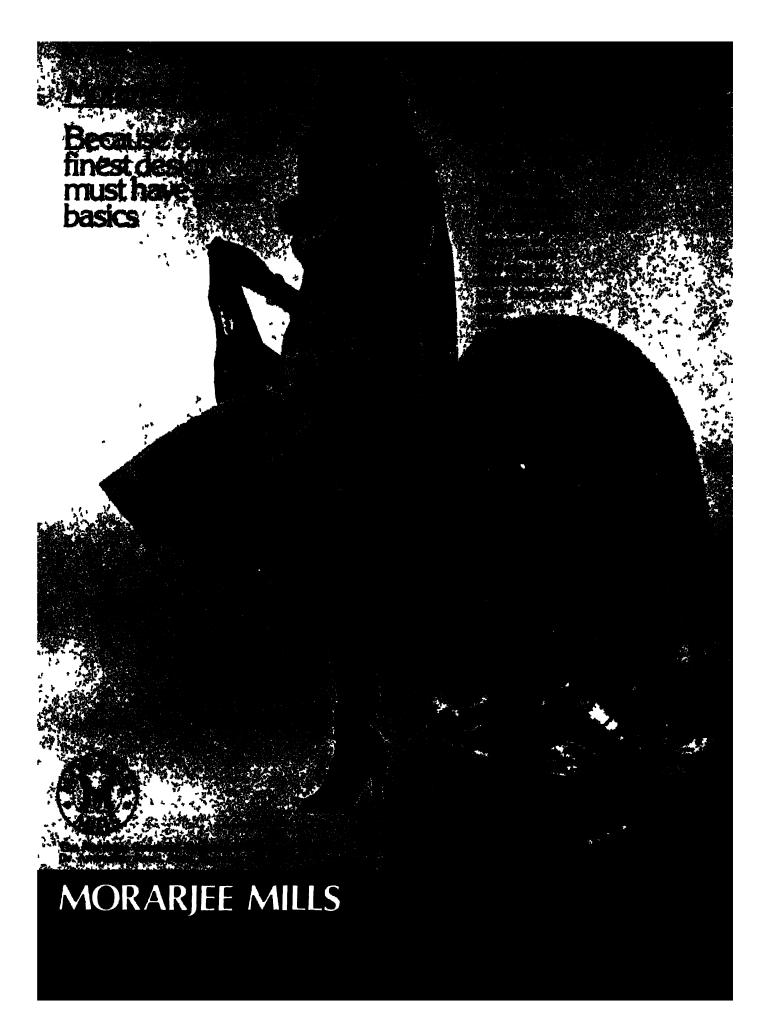
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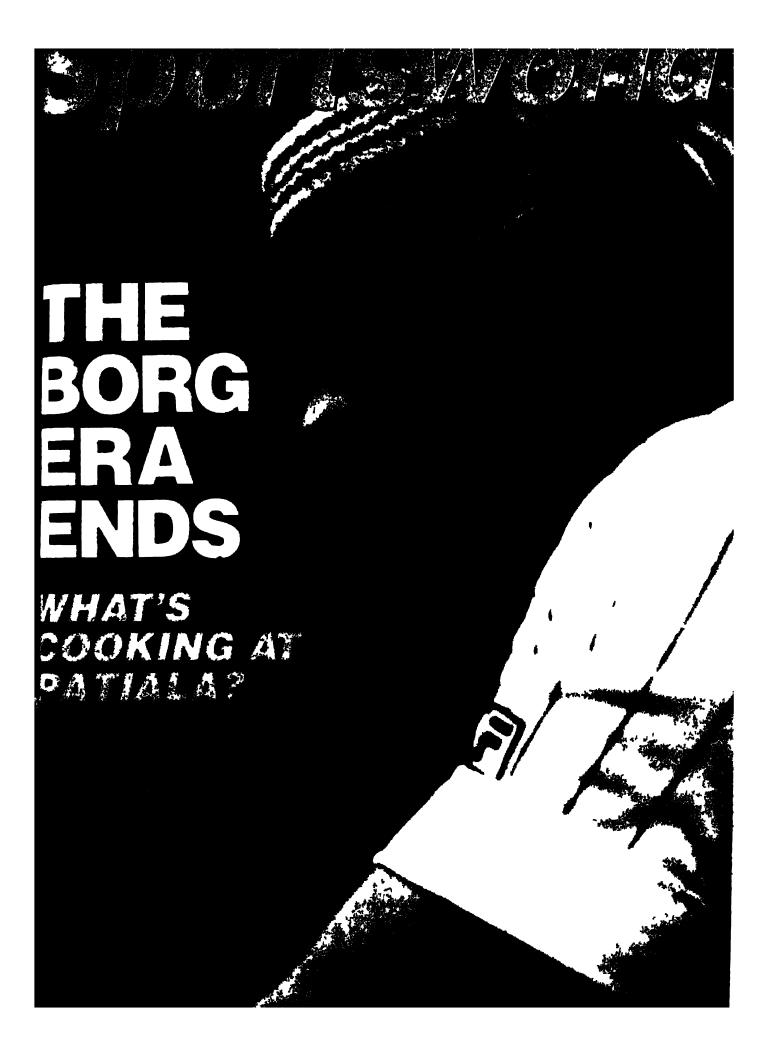
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Letters to the Editor

Sunny, the idol

S a lover of cricket I Ahave got something to write down about India's skipper 5 M Gavaskar Some critics opine after the twin tour of Australia and New Zealand that Gavaskars real class has been exposed and that he should take part in the Ranji Trophy matches rather than represent In dia in Test cricket because of his miserable tailures in Australia and New Zea land Certainly he does not belong to the category of either Vivian Richards or Greg Chappell along with some other greats of the past. But what is tragic is that most people also be littled his kicitness I must say that ups and downs is the natural law of hum in lite Gaviskai is not an exception to this rule Whit about G Chap pell's performante in Lnk land in 1975? He scored zero in the first lest it Birmingham four and 73 not out at Lord's 13 and 12 at Leed's and finilly got zero and four not out it The Ovil At that time he was a fully matured bats man with nine centuries to his credit

Be that as it may we must not judge (wiskir by watching his perform ances in his last six Tests but what he did in his previous 63 Tests? He has proved himself to be a world class busman by scoring centuries, and good runs ig unst all the crick et playing nations on cv ery soil is well is under various circumstances. We cannot forget his ever remembering knock of 101 at Manchester in 1974 then his unforgettable in nings of 221 at The Ovil in 1979 102 at Port of Spain in 1976. He performed well against the West In dies in 1971 and 1976 44 tinst Lngland in 1979 igninst New Zeiland in 1976 against Pakistan in 1978 Nobody can say that ill those teams were of second grade. He lived up to his reputation by facing

many great bowlers like Willis Underwood Thom son Hogg Roberts Hold ing, Gibbs Sobers Had lee Imran Sutraz ind others Gavaskar compiled 774 runs in only tour Tests at an average of 154 50 in the West Indies in 1971 which is a world record on the part of a debutant-an exhilarating batting pertormance indeed! As in opener he has scored the highest number of centur ics- inother world record No batsman other than Gavaskir could have scored centuries in both the innings of a particular Test on three separate occasions After Sir D G Bradmin Gaviskar is the quickest bitsmin in the history of Test cricket to hive completed 5 000 runs Are these not creditable? Without doubt our SM Gwiskir his estab lished himself is in ill time great batsman

ARUP ROY

IIII letter under the heading Decline of Sun ny appearing in the May 6 issue of your makazine contains not only some hes but also some and a cious remarks. In Nev. Zeilind Givikii never blamed the umpire tor his che ip di missil. I en in Austialia excepting in the 2nd innings of the final Test he never of med the umpire for his own dimissals rather their were occision when Givi kir willed without vitting to see the raised finger of the umous

Admittedly Gavislar proved to be a complete failure is a batsman in the twin tour of Australia and New Zeal indirected at vithout an hesitation. The however does not detrict from the fact that he is a world class batsman.

SIT Donald and SIT Gary the greatest that man and the greatest all rounder respects ely in the game of cricket have stated more than once that Gaviskar is indeed a worldelis but man

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Unheard before

While displaying his usual ill temper, the Ruma nian Ilie Nastase gave a novel suggestion in a match against Australia s Paul McNamee in the Lambert and Butler I awn Tennis Championships at Bristol last month Nastase deman ded during the match that a line judge be replaced when an incorrect call was made against him in the first set tie break Frank Smith the Grand Prix supervisor came to the spot and after a brief conversation with the umpire the match resumed Later referee Mike Gibson arrived and sent on a re placement for the linesman George Culpan a Surrey pensioner of vast experi ence in top class umpiring and line judging

After the match was over Nastase put forward his novel suggestion of the formation of a team consist ing of eight professional linesmen to conduct the big matches He added with typical arrogance that ill the fines players incur around the world could to nance such a scheme

WORST RUNNER

Between the wickers

The best way to embar 1455 the Australian Greame Wood is to call him a du bious runner between the wickets Yes the 24 year old Wood who is rated as the finest opening batsman Australia had produced in recent years is dubbed as the worst runner between wickets in the game of cricket. It really bothers him a lot When asked to | comment on the issue he i says, 'it gripes me that so many people bring that up I can't remember the last time I ran myself out in a Test I am an aggressive runner and I m faster than most guy-that's the trou ble "It is indeed a pity that a talented batsman like Wood has so often fallen victim to some one else's inept running

OF 007 BOND-AGE

Roger Moore names successor

British actor Roger Moore says he has come up with a perfect candidate to replace him in the part of James Bond the cold and sophisticated agent of the British Secret Service— su perbrat tennis star John McFnroe

I have decided my suc cessor should be John McEnroe Moore quipped to the reporters at a reception before the premiere of his latest Bond film For your eyes only in London He would be great Hc would tell the Chief of Staff

where to get off
The U.S. tennis stars picture was splashed across the front page of the British newspapers after he began this year's Wimbledon championships by abusing the umpire bending his 1 icket over the knee and kicking it across the court

THE BIHAR SPRF AD

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Now it is the Chief Minister Dr Ligannath Mishrischoice and isit is so it i a fait iccompli the MCC Last Zone in itch is to be played at Pitni Normally such interni tional matches are billed for the cricket he idquir ters Jamshedpur when it comes to Bih ir on the prin ciple of rotation. But then requests this time came from the top man of the Stare to have the venue shifted to the capital. He had to be obliged no mat ter what in idequites and obstacles stood in the way Any inconvenience or shortcomi would now have to be made good by the Bihai Cricket Associa tion it is learnt which largely comprises experts of Tata Steel (thanks to Mr Russy Mody vice chairman of the company) But money people say is not one of the problems

The State Education Minister Mr Nasiruddin Hyder Khan is said to have come forward with tons of money But will the money actually mater ialise

Reverse Gear

The boomerang bull

It was no boomerang Yet it bounced back to the man who sent it filling him with distaste and disbelict Golter Severiano Ballester os had this stirtling experi ence recently

He was taking shots in the opening round of the US Open championships It was smooth sailing all the way the crowd applicating every now and then But then it happened all of a sudden when it came to tak ing the fourth shot at the fourth hole. The ball took off landed and rushed back to an astounded Ballesteros Guess why?

The hall was spinning tast thanks to the cut the golfer had put in it. Only the motion was reverse!

WAKING UP LATE

But who was sleeping? A kid film is on as Lillec storms in is Botham ir rives and eventually departs they move on to you and me - a programme for tour and five year olds And by the time it is all over with England they reach Play School Mix be this is the way the BBC bolsters the nation's morale THE CEISTS

One could well think on these lines as the BBC went on showing children's prog 1 ammes while Lingland were facing a blistering attack by the Australian pacers on the opening day of the first Cornhill Test at Frent Bridge to be dismis sed for a meagre 185 But it happened otherwise -- BBC Television was simply caught napping while the Australian invasion was almost haltway through The match started halt an hour early and only the

Radio was awake to it

But in show biz, one can hardly afford not to have skilful stage managers and IV indeed proved that it had no dearth of such ex perts. Peter West exempli fied how the tault could be passed on to other shoul ders posing as though it were the viewers who were to blame for the delay Bra vo BBC 1

Honfsty

In the game



Is there in thing other than a competitive bent of mind that counts in mould ing Mrs Chris (I vert) Hovd's attitude towards her opponents? The ques tion evoked Freat interest in the context of her felling thought on the hot controversy over line decisions While playing against Yvon ne Vermaal in this year's Wimbledon tournament Mr s I los dandulged in umpire aw irding her opponent a point on which he had desired playing a let

It is amusing to confecture what Mrs I loyd would do in the case of a tough opponent Will she be obsessed with the same altruistic motive which in fluenced her gesture to wards Miss Vermaak the other day? I loyd said quite convincingly It would de pend partly on who I was playing To an honest play er for instance like Martin i Navrandova I would To some others you give them nothing

What's cooking at Patiala?

Although the infrastructure is not yet ready, preparation for participation in the ninth Asian Games is in full swing ASHOK KAMATH went to Patiala to investigate

Al II R in how long that with the Adirector of the Net ip Subhas National Institute of Sports Patrila Mi R I An and said in his well turnished office. I have not told invone that you are on the campus I do not think it would be right to take you around on a conducted tour you go around yourself speak to the coaches the trainces and an one else and then come to your own conclusions. Only then will you be able to get a clear untutored picture of what is going on in Patrila After ou have done your own investigations all as what you were impressed with tellar our short coming. We divide the late our short coming. We divide the sports of the late our short coming.

In retrospect, the director's parting shot will a good piece of advice. I vent around myself poke to some of the coache. I spoke to some of the trainee and it is worthers not directly involved in any of the coaching camps. coinc en. And I came to my own conclusions from the sampling of training coachine cump at various stage of pro-re. Tenes Teot atturby clear unturned picture of what is going on in Patrala and at the end of it. ill a I udehe edo er it or the six hour journe back to Delhi Treal ised that I was both impressed and I. nonicall contact Contact by the nugging thought that there was some thing bisicilly wrong omewhere Perhaps I should start with the im pressive part of the tory before going on to attempt to articulate what is wrong where

Take a look at some of these fact between the beginning of this eilen day year and October of the next training coaching camps covering twent disciplines affileties achieve badminton basketball boxing evel mig equestrian football gymnastics golf hockey handball lawn tennis swimming hoting table tennis volleyball weighthitting wrestling and vatching will have been held. Which by it elf hould improceed the most handboiled cancern that country (Unless of course on happen to belong to that eate as of expire mystike cynics who eite the ease of some other camping which project their coaching

ind training plans eight years (or two Olympics) in advance.) For the traditional standards of Indian sports full 22 months, the adopt the 1982 Astan Game, as by far the most impressive bit of planning ever undertaken. As one official described the effort operation of teams for the Astan Games at Delhi a being done on a war tooting. Very good you will acree.

On in iverage eigh of these 20 disciplines have the provision of ten coaching training emps eigh. The cilculation is two camps of six weeks durations ich one camp of four weeks.



R L Anand—decentralisation will help maintain the standards

duration during the year 1951 and a like frace during the first ten months of 1952. Additionally some of the federations have been given permission to hold camps specifically for the of their international engagement during the course of these 22 months. A quiel bit of arithmetic should tell you that on an average Indian sportsmen in the Asiad hopefuls bracket will be attending something like 40 weeks of training before the great day.

contess who care the case of some other. In other words, the man woman countries which project their coaching by ho finally makes the grade to repre-

sent India in the Asian Games next ven would have gone through i minimum of ten months formal training it various camps not to talk of the international competitions he should have participated in during these 22 months. Now who can grumble that we are not providing our sportsmen and women with the best of opportunities to train?

Also consider this A sum of R 1.5 crores has been allocated for prepar ing our sportstars for the Astad. This figure includes expense on the vitions couching comps payment for foreign coaches whose services are to be enlited from time to time expense of the various national teams Long ibroad for international competition and import of sophistic ited. equipment for truning in Indivitself Now one and a halt crores may not seem in impressive sum when you consider that the holding of the Asiad itself is boing to cost the Vitional exchequer something between 70 and 1700 adopending on which end of the binoculars you are viewing it from: crores. But there can be no denying the fact that the one and a half cross figure is by itself a very impressive tigure. The likes of which has never been seen before—given the economic background of this great country

The Government has illocated a daily food allowince of Rs 25 per trainer per day. I ach trainer is also given Rs 2 per day as pocker illowince and second classical factor and from the every camp he she attends. A rough calculation would be Rs 40 as the investment on every participant per day—all told.

Coven the middle class background of a majority of our sportsmen a sum of Rs 26 per day on food alone is, to say the least princely lake a look at the menu for the campers mess effective from June 20 of one cup of tea the moment you wake up Breakfast por ridge cornflakes (20 gms) two eggs bread to ists (sax slices) butter (25 gms) sweet and milk (300 gms) one fruit jam (20 gms) bidam ketnal (15) At 11 am chilled flavoured milk

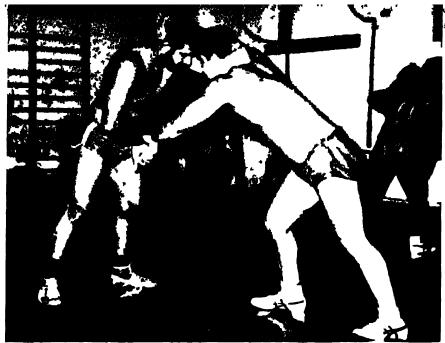
assorted (35 gms), curd (250 gms), fresh salad with half lemon, non vegetarian dish on alternate days Fruits (one), kabuli channa lobia, peas rajmah etc vegetable (one) and cheese preparations on alternative days Evening tea one cup of tea with two biscuits or a samosa or mathi-After evening sessions sweetened milk (300 gms) and biscuits (two) Dinner Rice chapatti dal assorted either mutton chicken fish curry (for non vegs) one vegetable tresh salad with half a lemon sweet dish, and on three days of the week there will be ice cream to top it ill. For vegetarrans the variable element is the cheese kofta cheese mattar cheese sag

Among the special category of campers are the wrestlers, boxers, weight, litters and throwers, who are entitled to 100 gms extrachicken mutton for

dinner

The menu cird circulated to the various sports feder itions and top officrals in the Ministry and outside promises concentrated protein preparations in addition at the discreation of the deputy director (medical and rescuchi MS

Further to tackle parochial taste buds a cook has been imported to help the mess in Patrala all the vay from Bingilore to prepare South Indian specialitie like idli dova sambar indthe like. This writer who was very griciou ly hosted by courte - director An indict the NIS mess vais treated to the Bangalore in South Indian concoctions. My decidedly, southy, pa-Lite found the idlisamb it quite acree ible except that the dough for the idla should have been more malleable at



Wrestling—Coach Bhagwat is stressing on matmen's speed

from Bangalore convinced me that that was only a matter of time before he found his bearings and product mix permutation and combinations (Like I ad before a R 26 worth diet is princely and without exception the compers will bear vith me out on this As a post script, we may add that there i always scope for improvement on the quality of the final product that reache the table

Another feature which is bound to receive your approbative nod is the brief that with the culings expert | decentialisation of the various camps

Considering the number of disciplines in which camps are being held at was about the most sensible thing to do The nerve centres of the various comps are the NIS in Patrala and the NIS south centre in Bingdore but Hyderabad Gwalior Calcutta Rai Stinag it Nigpur and New Delhi are some of the sitellite centres chipping in to host some of the camps. This decentralisation will help maintain a the standards and also take the press ure eti Patrala and Bancalore Mr. An und expluned





Tokyo achievement leaves no room for complacency

THERE is an air of general satis faction over India's performance in the Asian Track and hield, Championships at Tokyo But there is a danger that the euphoria might lead to a complacency which we can ill afford Nineteen medals were not a bad haul, but it should have been better In the medals table, we were third behind Japan and China We are a power all right in Asian athletics but a second rate power That is what the Tokyo meet showed Now this is hardly a position with which we should be satisfied

We have progressed in certain events but at the same time we have not been able to do well in others. In certain field events our standards are so inferior to those of the Japanese and Chinese that we better not entertain any hopes at all of medals in them at the Asian Games, next year though that should not prevent us from trying

Hammer throw for example Even when we had a giant like Praveen kumar we were not able to win an Asian gold medal. For all the hopes he gave rise to, the 6 tt 7 in Punjab star would not be able to heat the Japanese, who have built some sort of a tradition in the event At Tokyo our national cham pion Raghbir Singh Bal, with a throw of 63 84 m was fourth behind three Japanese Yet from Japan's point of view their performances were nothing to enthuse over A couple of them are known for 70 metre plus throws, but at the Tokyo Asian meet gold medallist Shigeno bu Murofushi's winning throw mea sured only 69 62m In time, Praveen Kumar began complaining of back trouble and took to the discus with better results At Tokyo, Bal surpri singly took the bronze in the discus, an event in which he was not even able to qualify at the trials

According to informed opinion, Praveen failed to realise his true potential because the coaches were not good enough. They were unable to guide him to the stage where he could perfectly coordinate his movements and impart the right explosive power to his throws. The champions have changed. But the same coaches are around. Will Bal, a hand-ome 6 feet plus athlete, also suffer from the same coaching handicap?

Our shot and discus traditions, set by men like Som Nath and later carried on by Parduman Singh and Balkar Singh, seem to be more

lasting At the 1973 Manila Asian track meet all the places on the victory stand were occupied by In dians—Jagraj Singh Gurdip Singh and Bahadur Singh But even here we have slipped Bahadur who is our best shot putter now in spite of his advancing age was beaten by Kuwait's Zinkawi at Tokvo Bahadur performs with the disco putt style Perhaps he could try his hand at the discus itself At least there is no harm in giving the idea a trial

Age is no bar in events like discus. The case the American Al Oerter four time. Olympic cham pion who came back after a lay off of nearly a decade to find that he was still good is an inspiring exam ple. Young Vijay Bahadur had a toss of 16.71 metres at Tokyo. But he will have to improve consider ably if he hopes to win a medal at the Asian Games. Let's not forget that strife toin Iran who were absent at Tokyo have a man in the 18m plus class. For Vijay Bahadur it will have to be one long relentless effort to improve in the coming year.

The javelin is another throwing event in which we better not have any fond hopes. While we are still to produce a javelin thrower in the 70 metre class. Shen Maomao of China has already crossed 85 metres. Our best young javelin men. Om Pal and Guitej hovered round the 65m 66m mark at the pie Asian trials at Patiala Beating them with a throw of 68.06 metres, decathlon champion Sabir Ali has begun to have different ideas. But being a sure hope of a decathlon gold at the Asian Games he might not like to risk his chances there by specialising only in the javelin.

specialising only in the javelin Both Om Pal and Gurtej, who suddenly hit the headlines by win ning the javelin at the 1980 Open Meet at Ajmer, have not registered much progress In the case of Gur tej barely 20, his progress has been hampered by a mysterious pain in his back This young Telco athlete has the potential of touching 75 metres if he is fortunate enough to get expert guidance and keep good health But then so many other voung athletes of ours in the past have not been able to realise their true promise If they have im proved, the progress has not been rapid enough Behind Shen Maomao there were at least three Japanese whose throws measured between 78m and 73m Still it would be worthwhile in working with youngsters like Gurtej and Om Pal

The situation in the jumps is even dimmer A Chinese youngster, Zhu Jianhua with leaps of 2 30m, is already in the world class. The Japanese have at least two men in the 2 25m class. The bar at our leading men's competitions seldom moves beyond 1 90m. Yet there was a time when India boasted high jumpers like Bhim Singh and Ajit Singh who could hold their own in Asia. There is no point blaming our jumpers. They have not been given the proper equipment. The jumping pits even at our best meets are primitive.

In the absence of foam pits our numpers are not taking to the "fos bury flop" style for fear of injury More than one pole vaulter has expressed the same fear Vaulters like Phool Kumar and Sunder Singh will do much better if proper pits and synthetic surfaced runways are provided A pole vault pit must have one metre thick foam to land on However it is some consolation that fibre glass poles are now avail able to our pole vaulters who are now in the 4m plus class But the best Japanese vaulters are clearing the bar at least one whole metre

After Yohannan and Suresh Babu both of whom have been victims of injuries we have no long or triple jumper who could give us an Asian medal Suresh Babu had gone to the USA for an achilles tendon operation last year, but he has not so far made a comeback Liu Yuhang of China recorded a leap of 8 05m at Tokyo and the two Japanese behind him were very near the 8m mark In Zhou Zhenx ian China also have a world class triple jumper who has been clear ing 17m In our big meets a jump of 16m will be something to gloat over

The picture is not so gloomy in the track events although we lag behind the fastest Thais and Japanese in the sprints There was time when a Milkha Singh won the 200 and 400 metres in an Asian competition as though by right But that was a different era Uday Prabhu, 27, raised hopes of clocking a sub 46 secs 400 metres when he first won the event in the Open Meet at Chandigarh three years ago He then hit the tape in under 47 secs But Prabhu has not been able to do better because he has not shown the same single minded de

dication as the "Flying Sikh" did in his time Also he has not got the same competitive opportunities More lately Pavittar Singh has come on to the scene and maybe the close competition between him and Prabhu will do good to both men Injury kept Pavittar from compet ing at Tokyo However even if we do not win a gold in the 400m we have hope winning a medal in the 4 400 metres relay. We may also expect a bronze from the 4 100 metres relay team provided there are no mishaps like the one we had in the baton changing zone at Tokyo

In the longer races our older runners are likely to remain in the foreground much as we may like to see younger men torging ahead. In Stiram's absence the much your Fer A Rajan won the event at Tokyo but his timing of 150 is something still within easy reach of Srir im who has crossed 30 Sriram won a gold medal in the 1978 Bang kok Asian Games after being writ ten off because of his asthma. Who knows he may still stage a comchick to brush aside all opposition? Any day he decides to do so it will not be very difficult for him to clock under 1.50

Stirm may also like to try his hand at 1500 metres. With the passage of time runners move from horter to longer distances. Sebastian Coc of Britain 25 who recent by broke the world \$000 mecor i has unnounced plans to run the 5 000 at the Los Angeles Olympics in 1984. Stiram has not announced his retirement. It all depends on his health next year.

In the 3 000 metres steeple chise and 5 000 metres Gopal Sum is head and shoulders above the rese It anything Saint will be a better arhlete next ve ir At 26 he is quite young in the business of distince funning Even Shivnith Singh 37 who got such a raw deal when the names of the team for the Tokyo vent up for Government approvid a not too old for a long distance runner. In the two Open Meets to come before the 1982 Asian Games he might vet come back to be it younger contenders in the 10 000m and marathon. The thinking on long distance running has been revolutionised by the diminutive balding Ethiopian Mirat Yifter who won the 5 000 ind 10,000 metres old medals at the Mo cow Olympics and is now said to have plan of witching to the marathon

But Shivnath 1 only one of our 10 000m contenders. There are tunners like Poonam Singh to watch Poonam 25 who be it both Shivnath and Hari Chand in the list Open Meet in New Delhi would hive been at lokyo but for a him string injury. Poonam is in the

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sub 29 minute standard as a 10,000 tunner but with stiffer competition he may improve by minute or two, which will then make him a strong contender for the gold medal

Sathir Singh and Balasubramani are our best hurdlers and deserve to be persisted with Sathir is already established as a high hurdler. But young Balasubramani should not take long to win his spurs. Any student of track and field can see that he is a fine 400 metres hurdles prospect. He may not have won a medal at Tokso.

not have won a medal at Tokyo Reports have it that P T Usha is bick in training Judging from the timings clocked in the women's 100m at Tokyo not only Usha bur ilso Sreekum iri Amma should raise hopes of a sprint medal Both the girls have been credited with timings of 11.5 Yokiko Osako won the event at Tokyo in 11.91 ees Sreekumari ilso missed Tokyo be cause of injury With sprinters like Usha and Sreekum iri there India should also have a medal chance in the women's sprint relay

But printers have to be trained very circuit. One has one sown doubts at gards lake Usha and Sreekumari or their coaches in Kerala are entirely satisfied with the coaching they get when they leave home for long stays in the camps. The same may also be said of Mercy Mathew who got a long jump bronze with a leap of 5.91 metres at Tokyo Mercy is in fact in the 6m plus class.

Hamida Banu has replaced Rita Sen as our leading 400m runner at the result of the Tokyo competition is instantial more Both were well below the winning timing of 54.59. But India has strength in depth in the event of the peak making out team a good good prospect in the 4.400 metres rela-

Gita Zut hi 500 and 1,500m) and Val innor 1,400m hurdle i treour other medal propect in the women's dirion V for Gita Zut shi she might well think of exploring her chance also in the 4,000m.

We may not have a gul tight now as good as the 17 very old Japanese Akemi Masuda who won the 3 000m 9 15 17 seconds But last year at the Ajmer Open Meet there were two Rajasthani guls both barely 15 who clocked 10 23 and 10 26 Rata Jam and Shaimil both from Bhilwara may exactly set the Jamuna on tire in 1982 but it they are available for coaching at least one of them, bould ye limit a medal But where are they

One rea on why Indian ithletics has not been able to progress a rapidly as possible as haphar and administration. One season we hear of a promising performance from a young athlete. The following search to she has been lost to the sport because no one has cared to keep a

record of his or her whereabouts in a vast country like ours some one must be made responsible to keep track of young promising athlete

But there are cases of even well known athletes being lost to the sport at the prime of their career At the 1979 Asian Meet Rattan Singh won the 1 500m gold medal in 3 49 4-which is faster than the timing of the 1951 gold medallist Takashi lishi who clocked 3 50 63 Those who represented India at Tokyo this time-5 int Kumar and Sukhwant Singh- are both lower than Rattan Singh But where is Rattan Singh Being in irms man it should not be difficult to know where he is Ye nobody knows Also where is Shambhu Dutt mother fine runner from the army We mu t track down our best men and women ou it co int to do better

The value of hard training and expert coaching cannot be over emphasised. Equally important is top class competitive experience which our athletes unfortunately lack. The Chinese who have created a sensation at Tokyo gained a lot by their participation in the U.S. track circuit. The Japanese also regularly send their athletes on the Lurope in circuit. The Fithiopians are right now camping in Europe Once we too followed the same method. That was how Wilkha improved to Olympic class.

At least three Indians have been selected for the World Crass Rome in September. It sould be a good idea it a few more could a company Saint. Ratin and Gita Zurshi, or a Lurope in four well before the World Cup Sabit. All was not selected in he A furte im because the World Cup doe not a cit do the decathlon. How a mean like him to get the international exposure he needs to improve in the few events that he lags behind? If Sabit can be helped, he can come into the \$000 points class.

Finally the choice of coaches and officials to guide athlete 18.3 very important matter which should not be left to the vote alone. As one senior athlete who would understandably prefer not to be named put it. In training camps and on tour we should be able to sense the affection and expirit from left entire that the first large et our out to be the first large et out the first large et

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During the third week of Judici when we were around, camps for wrestling basketball hockes and gym nastics were at various stages of prog ress. The wrestling camp was a total non-starter. Scheduled to last from June 10 to July 21 with an approved strength of 30 trainees. Of the 38 names recommended by the Wrestling Lederation of India only three mat men Rimkumir (62 kgs) from Harvara Police Om Singh (65 kgs) of Railways and Satpal (50 kgs) of Havina Police reported at Patrala Imagine three out of 35' Where were the resta

Around the third week of June the Singiv Guidhi Memorial Wrestling Iournament was to have started All the wrestlers preferred to skip the camp and take part in the Indian style wrestling tournament in Delhi And for takes like something in the region of R \$ 0000 it fir tiplay money for the top class at as hardly surprising that

HO THE WASTE WASTE TO SEE THE THE PARTY OF T outlast their opponents by sheer en durance but under the new system, they will have to also be fast. Our best had in Asian wrestling competitions was way back in 1962 (Jakarta Asian Games) when we returned home with a tilly of 12 med ils. At Bingkok in 1978. we had two golds and one silver and we finished second behind Japan We have by ind lings been faring well in Asi in level tournaments from time to time and though I would not like to predict anything specific about our chances in the coming Asiad I should think we should do very well. Our main challengers will be Japan and Ir in with Korea and Mongolia also forces to reckon with. It should not be difficult for India to finish three na tions in Asia Two years uso in in Asian meet at Jullundur India tinished third behind Ir in and Japan and the marein was just four points.

For lack of attendance the wie t



Baskethali training session for women—large scale absenteeism

the the wie tlers preferred the ikhira in Delhi to the mat at Patrala Coach in charge b B Bhagwar was a rather disappointed man. The dates of the Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Indian Style Wrestling Championship clashed with the date of this camp and the WII could not do a thing about it because Indian tyle wiestling does not come under its umbrella Before the Nation ils it Ajmer list May 44 were invited and 28 attended For this camp, sad to say enly three turned up. I would not entirely blame the boys but at least in the national interest organisers of tourn iments such as the one in Delhi should see that their date do not clash with those of the camps

Bhagwar was optimistic about the attendance for the next camp because of India's participation in the World Champton's haps and pre-Commonwealth in September Among other plans he outlined a systematic concentration on helping our wrestlers

ling coaching camp was wound up and the team of coaches specifically assigned to the camp. Mes r. B. B. Bhagwar K. N. Singh and S. R. Sanga wrung their hands in despur. And is things turned out the Sanjay Candha Memorial Tournament in Delhi vas postponed because of the excessive hear in the capital. Wonder it the non-starter of a camp would generate as much hear among the powers that ite.

Computed to the position Bhugwat and his colleagues found themselves in basketball chief coach Sam Joseph was much better off. Out of the 36 men called to the camp at Patiala, 34 had reported before the first week of the six week camp. But for the women's camp which was being held simulat incously in Patiala. Joseph and his colleagues were confronted with the same old story of large scale absented ism. Fortveight women were invited to the camp but even after the first week.

THE PARTY NAMED AND ADDRESS OF The basketball camps has a pane of seven coaches chief coach Sam Joseph with Messrs K K Chansoria S Venkatakrishnan, 5 Subramanian, Gurdas Ram Capt M Rajan and Joginder Jogi (the last two mentioned were to join the camps in due course) On the question of absenteeism coach Joseph felt that there was basically a lack of motivation to religiously attend the camps. While the men hoopsters had the Indo USSR Test series and the ABC Ch impionships in the immediate offing the women had no immediate international competition at stake And hence the poor attendance in the women's section. Of the 13 States from which girls were invited to attend the cimp only five State issociations bothered to send their players. Will the err intattiliated units be asked to ! explain? Will explanations be sought. from the individuals . Your guess is as a rood i mine

Sim Joseph sind that 300 I ichikara balls were being imported from Japan to cover all the coaching camps during the next 22 two months. Also shoes were also being imported to meet the icute shortage of large size shoes. He was enthulated to do ut some of the highly sophisticated equipment, like the hydroneum tice backboard that is to be imported from the United State. And in keeping with the latest push button sports technolog, the service of a Rus amenoich also being invited to train our basketballers.

The transme programme at each of the initial leave of camps is a composition of 60 per cent conditionin⊾ 30 per cent technique and ten per cent recreation. The inputs yould viry as the imps went along. One of the two ! principle the coache adopted in correctine a traineer that the placer should be made conscious of a faulty technique and the second process in olved repetition of the right technique to reeducite the muscular and central nervous process. While Joseph igreed that corrective therapy could be curried out in a limited sen-e he cited one common full he found imong some of the women trance We isked one of the best shooters to

demonstrate shooting on the drive I found that her footwork was not inconson incow that he correct to changue generally accepted I then identified the dipurity in her footwork-her feet, did not come back to the same spot of 1 her take off and she was taking a jump from a stride position in the belief that it would give in idded impetus to her shot. But her forward movement with not controlled, there was a loss in what we call dynamic balance and in consequence of this there was a lesser percentage of conversion. We had to I re ison this out with the trainees then demonstrate ourselves the dribble, the stop and the need to land on the same spot for better stability and dynamic balance. Once a trainee is convinced throughly the chances of old mistakes being repetted are minimised

In the absence of the well known

gymnastics coach D K Tandon, who is away in the German Democratic Republic for his doctoral dessertation, Dieter Strucks was invited to take his place as chief coach. The Last German armed with a German English diction ary and his equally talented gymnast wife managed to strike a good rapport with the women gymnasts undergoing training in Patiala. The aplomb with which the coach got his messages icross to his wards only proved that language is no barrier to sport.

Harmik Singh the man who led India at the Munich Olympics and currently national coach spearheaded the three man coaching team for hock es which includes former Olympians C Desamuthu and V | Peter The appointment of Desamuthu and Peter represents a departure from the normal stipulation rightly or wrongly of only having NIS trained coaches for national camps. But none can disagree that both Desimuthu (who did duty under the Indian crosspiece it the Helsinki and Rome Olympics) and Peter (Rome 1960) Tokyo 1964, and Mexico 1965) have a wealth of experience behind them and have been at various times coaches of the national outlits. Incidentilly Desimuthu and Peter who shitted a room in the Dhyin Chand Memorial Hostel during the duration of the camp were also room mates at the Tokyo Olympics

As chief coach. Harmik has drawn up in claborate training chedule for the hockey trainers. Among the exercises the boys have to go through in the morning sessions is this one which could be remotely connected with the game of kho kho. The trainers would be divided into batches of three of four in various spots on a rough circle. One person is to run and he would be pursued by mother. The pursues has to touch the man in the run before he reaches the refuge point and a re-

lieved by inother

Small games such is these idded a recreational dimension to the work outs and the boys did quite a bit of running around without really being tired out by the monotony of formal exercises (The games of course were only a supplement to the regular exercises) And coming back to the concept of funds of experience. Peter took the field for a brief spell during one of the match situation sessions that occupy the evenings at the camp And in that brief spell, the Olympian right inner split the opposite detence with such delectable passes that had some of his twice younger teammates standing With all the good intentions ill the good taxpayers money all the top bureaucrates involved all the top coaches involved with all the plans going into it will all of everything one cannot help being bugged by the fact that there is something basically wrong somewhere The figures and data regarding the missive effort being put into prepare our sportsmen and women for the Asian Games might sound impressive on the face of it. But the question that recurs to one 5 mind

goes much beyond 1982 and the Asian Games What is this great effort being directed at? At India bagging a number of gold, silver and bronze medals at the next Asian Games, of course But beyond that what?

The whole excreise I m afraid reminds me of the biblical character who built his house upon the sand. And you know what happened when the rains came down and the floods went up What we require is solid rock to build our houses upon like the wise man of biblical tame. Which is what to my mind is missing Our base our grassroot level sports is weak and all the injection of good intentions money energy equipment everything is like building a super structure which has the longevity of precisely two years And after that what Well have to tart from scratch. Do the inputs justity our (projectedly) small time Pauz,

Im not too sure they do What I

fact that competitive sport is basically an elitist indulgence our priorities should be directed at making sport more broad based in this country. And you cannot do that if you are going to spend around Rs 20 000 on one sports man who tinishes 30th in an international competition abroad. Let us for moment hypothetically say that India itter all these efforts finishes among the top three countries on the medal tally in the 1992 Asiad Tet us hypothetically say that a couple of hundred crores have been spent on the succesful conduct of the Asiad and Delhi is richer by the flyovers the ultramodern studium and many other things. We are going to put ourselves. on our backs for the great effort. But will involuthese make invisence to say an enthusiastic basketball coach attached to ome vague district who is trustrated because his district sports council does not have the funds for a backboard or a football coach in



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indeed uipric methat uch imis sive effort could actuall be under taken in the context of our traditional apathy towards specific It in thing it only reinforces the old theor, that where there is a will there is a vary The est with which Operation Ascid is being planned makes me at up. But it only we could to beyond 1982 If only we can think in terms of building up our found itions at only vie em organise i nationwide empaign covering sports consciousness at the level of a grandparent a parent a teacher an employer. It only all our energies and resources could be directed in motiviting people to participate in sports in providing better tacilities in our schools and college In activating each of the three 165 odd district sports councils by providing facilities for a fir greater number at only. Well a giest many other things we'd have the foundations to build a superstructure on Given the

in other non-decript district who car not train his wird a cir evening because the only playground is while has to be shared between football hockey cricket kabaddi kho kho yol leyball and chost of other enthusia.

Will all the gold medals and all er medals and bronze medal mean a thing to the boy in a corporation school who cannot understand who the cames class should be cancelled amp by because the only toothall available a punctured beyond repair and has not been replaced. In this context a all the effort of hosting in Asiad and preparing a relatively miniscule minority of sportsmen and sports women for it and the medal, that are won worth at

I am not too sure I have a clear cut es to the last que tion. And I am not too sure every single individual in volved in what ever expect. has in answer to it

Saini: Camp tempo will be maintained

JOGINDER SINGH SAINI national athletics coach was at the wrong end of the gun recently Following his interview to a news agency on the Shivn ith Singh episode where he pulled no punches on the shabby treatment meted out to the long distance runner. Sum found himself saddled with a telegraphic show cause notice of sorts from the MS director. We R. I. An and

We net couch Sum it the NIS South Centre in Bankilore where he was involved with the first phase camp in preparation for the 1952 Asian Gimes. A chistical Sum sud he would speak to us on anything that was not controversial. The NIS boss in Patiala must have felt he was right in booking Sami for speaking to the Press and involving himself in controversies but the general impression one gained from the coaching fraternity in Bangalore is that An ind sobjections were not exactly justified. If a coach speaks the truth why should be be penilised. He outburst is un t the injustice to Shivn ith Singh must i be seen in the light of the truth in whatever he has said. These think will not happen in a country like America where the coach is allowed to air his opinions. This y hole business of not being allosed to talk a not good for the development of sports and the is omething what people at the top ful to realize said a coach not necessarily in othletic conchr it the NPS South Centre who wanted to remain thous non-tor obvious reisons locemeth in the main object tion to Some catemone we the one about he time She north back in the Indian team

Reference to Letting him back was obviously not for the Asian track and field meet (which had concluded by then) but for the Asian Games and other international meets India may participate in during the course of the next two year. What is said to have riked the authorities was the suggestion of employing extraconstitutional methods to Let him back into the Indian term.

It is plan and imple that one body has unneced and been reading between the lines Herewall are of a coach of no near so that coming out igning that which is the coming out igning that which is the coming out that it is a coach of the ingreed and hardwerking both a requote Sames words. And Sames a mother ingle wild swipe at the powers that are. He backed his argument with solid facts. And for speaking the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth he got the rap.

When Sportsworld met him he said he had offered his explanation to Mr Anand and wanted the chapter to be closed so could we ask him about anything cite? Maybe about the Indian contingent's performance in the first phase of the Asiid camp So over to coach Saini

I must say that we performed better than what I had expected 1 specially when you consider that it was not our full team that went to Tokyo Hari Chand had to drop out because his promotion was it stake and he had to get back to his base to appear for his examinations, then there were other like Pavittar Singh (400 metres) Damodar Gowda (500m) Shambu Dutt (1500m) P. I. Usha and sicelamina mma who could not go to Tokyo for one reason or the other

The med ils tilly was also impressive and 21 individuals returned with med ils (that's including relay runners) which considering the sale of the contingent was rather impressive. Of the seven who did not quality but were included in the team. Vijay Bahadur Singh won a med all biologica in the hot putt. Another fact which the Tokyo meet threw up var that we have been rather poor in the hold event, there were no golds for the through the rather poor in the hold event.

I think that there is to be to be happy with the performance of our authors in the lok orner and lambure this will be a hot rather urn to be our preparations for his Arin Cana.

jumps and sprints

And coming to the first plan of the Asian Game preparative this near began on May 11. We have a sure product strength of \$5 teamer and in effective strength of about 52. For your men athlete were in the claim the to the camp in Bangalere they are not a many is being belief.

to the compone Bone dericthey or encountry is being held of Holer to Former who were left behind after the tital of Patrala for the Tokyo meet The pole voider (seven in number) are training in Patrala Of the ford only joined the Bong dore component of which one long jumper (kim Gound) left because of injury

The sanctioned strength for each



of these Asiad camps was calculated on the basis of the 40 events India is to enter in the Asian Games

When the athletes report for the camp, they are given various tests which are recorded by the coaches At the end of each camp there will be a series of special tests which help evaluate the individual performance and effect the camp has had on the individual ithlete I wither each ithlete is Liven adony where he has to enter his performance in the various training schedules he has to undergo. Thus we have a joidy reckoner system which quantities the training performance of cach athlete Now between the end of one compound the commencement of the second the ithlete i on his own And to see whether the level of progiess has been maintained all the trainers have to go through our special evaluation to to en ure that there is no filling back between one camp and the other Otherser ear vall be futile to baild up during one camp and tart. ill over is on in he next comp-

In custre that the athletes hat the new cole of office on training and following it with postime at the right time, the AALT has changed its calendar. The Open Meet has been advanced to October and the fast phase amperone of the fact of training the ecent amperone of the peal during the ecent amperone of the peal during the ecent amperone of the peal during the ecent amperone of the later to the fact of the fac

Thive been a reed in the cump by eight other coache. P. Rajisekar in Rulways handles the 100 and 200 m and 110 hurdle. M. I. Dokta 1864 vice is hindle the 100 m and 100 hardle loginder Sinch. NIS bar a large at michage of 100 m 1500 m and vilk. Da. Mohapatra (Ota. 1) for 5,000, 10,000, and 1,000 m, to ple chare B. R. Bidduc NIS bar, doro othe nump. Vidya Sagar for decathlon R. N. Sinha for hot putt and dreu, and Harbans. Singh handle at the javeling thrower.

Since most of the work is on off season chedule the concentration is a on endurance work. We have two sessions every day one in he morning ind the other in the evening-which makes it 12 session a week. Out of [these 12 sessions only three are spent on special techniques, another three on veight training and six on general conditioning. That should give you in ide i about the land of endurance build up that we have been giving the trunces The second phase camp which will include Tokyo meet athletes will concentrate more on peaking towards the competitions ahead

I am happy with the way the camp has been going and I do hope the tempo will be maintained. Sain concluded

ASHOK KAMATH Bangalore

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS CAMP

they warming up well?

ONE leading athlete gcts married another talls sick and there is poor attendance-this in a nutshell, reflects the inditterent approach adopted by the 1982 Asiad probables towards the coaching camps currently being held here at Hyderabad

The major disappointment of the camp is 'poor attendance"—only 30 women athletes of the 57 selected have reported for the first camp According to the camp in charge, Mr. Randhawa the reason was the Tokyo meet and that some of the athletes like Angel Mary tell sick Another ithlete Dorothy Menezes got mir ried. She attended the camp for a few days and then went on leave. To my pleasant surprise one fine morning I received her wedding card Mr Ran dhaw i exclaims. The camp which be Lan on May 11 will end on August 5

The selection of probables apparently done after the National Athletics meet it Bangalore last February is a systematic attempt at team building. The selectors have done in excellent job picking up the right and deserving ithletes Still it would have been better had the camp been started after the Tokyo meet On camp prospects. Mr Randhawa

sud. We have a bright chance in the forthcoming Asiad One can come to this conclusion after our ithletes brilhart performances at Tokyo Though we filled to grab any medal in the jumping and throws events we did turly well in the running events

Asked the reason for our athletes Fulure in these events. Mr Randhawa points to the lack of basic training. He insists that there is need for more sophistic ited equipment to ittain world standards. Another reason could be age. The Circh them young slogin sounds sweeter than sugar but undeniably little attention has been paid to it thus far. Do you know the slogan in Last Germany (Mr Randha) wa had undergone coaching training in that country for three years) which bagged the maximum number of med ils in the Moscow Olympics - Mr Ran dhaw i isks and then answers. Preparation for the Olympic Games must start before school ige

If we can adopt the same it is possible to analyse the development of the child for at least three years be fore he goes to school Mr Randhawa teels 'I believe we should stop blam ing our failures and concentrate on helping more efficiently our youngs ters, on their strengths and weaknes

ses, he said Under the watchful eyes of Mi Randhawa six girls—Usha, Rachna Charanjit Kaur Krishna Bose Mohin der and Surjeet-are undergoing training in long distance running He opined that all the six girls were

showing good progress

However, the coaches in some other



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disciplines are not that optimistic. In dia has little chance in jumps and throws say the coaches in these events Mr Keshay Reddy and Mis Subrat a Debnath They unanimously said that India might not be able to make any mark unless the girls improve in strength and put on more weight Bakthiwii Khambatti of Mah trashtra is the only girl who has inv chance. She is tall and possesses most of the qualities Trainees Ivot shaa Dutta Philomina Thomas and D Pramila are underweight. They reportedly refuse to do the weight train ing for they believe their matrimo nial prospects may be adversely affected if they put on weight. Kutty who is in charge of the jumps is unhappy over the absence of the best girls from Tamil Nadu Referring to two of the West Bengal girls—Mallika Das and Anju Das- he says they are still in the junior cidre and will take some more time to improve

A lesson from Keshav Reddy, is an experience. He expects each athlete to work hard said an athlete adding he makes maximum ettort himself His lessons are spent probing and prodding giving his athletes slices and punishment, looking for their strengths and weaknesses. Once he spots a weakness in you he pounces Everyone trained by him has cried at one time or other Keshav Reddy's character building technique is de signed to develop power and endur ance as well as accuracy When asked who is the most promising girl in the camp, Mr Reddy feels that Prameela, a medical student who bagged a gold in | M S SHANKAR, Hyderabad

the All India Inter Varsity Athletic meet it Gwalior may be the best bet in the discus provided she gains strength and puts on more weight

India's sprint queen PT Usha and Steekumari Amma are the best among the Asian probables according to Mr. Nambiar in charge of the sprints in the off season Asiad preparatory camp I am contident that India will get the gold in 200 m. Sany Joseph is the youngest of the six trainees. Kunju-Kunjamma of Kerala and Merliine Fernandes of Maharashtra are also coming up In the 400 m Padmini Thomas and Shobana are doing their best. Mr Nambiar concluded

Former international Manut Walia who is in charge of hurdles, feels that Karamjeet Kaur of Punjab stands out as the best among the lot. Her best timing is 15.4 seconds in the 100 m hurdles Speaking about the 400 m hurdles queen Andhra's Nilini Rijaratnam Mrs Walia expresses the view that she is a very hardworking girl Among the juniors Tarawati Singh of Andhra Pradesh is the most promising middle distance runner according to Dr A K Uppal in charge of the sprints

Mr V Survanar wana thinks that the performance in long distance is encouraging The ithletes should have been picked up at a much earlier age. The general feeling of the coaches is that the juniors should have more camps and competitions. While the seniors are coached thrice the juniors are given coaching only once a year

ALL-ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE BORG ERA ENDS

One more Wimbledon has ended, this time marking the exit of the hitherto invincible Bjorn Borg DAVID McMAHON reports

SPORTSWOF LD credibility must be skyhigh with regard to our June 17

It was, perhaps in the fitness of things that 22 year old John Patrick McEnroe should finally win the title that he wanted more than any other Besides he already had the mens doubles under his belt and apart from anything else, the singles final was played on July 4, American Independ ence Day John McEnroe's singles crown was a present to his nation

"Last Year I let him off the hook ' Thus spake John Patrick McEnroe

But if anyone let his opponent off the hook this year it was the man who was looking for his 42nd straight win

at Wimbledon and his sixth consecu tive singles title Borg made two mis takes which turned the tide and de nied him those two targets

At one set all he had two set points in the third set on his opponents service and secmed poised on the brink of yet another famous recovery en route to victory. However, when he lobbed McEnroe he wasn't deep enough and the American simply kil led the ball But Borg still had one set point A thundering first serve from McEnioe neutralised that and though it was impossible at that stage to say who would emerge victorious it was obvious that Borg's confidence had been shaken

At deuce, the detending champion blazed an awesome topspin pass his advancing opponent to force his third—and as it turned out—last set point. Yet inother great serve by McEnroe and the crisis was past McEnroe ultimately won that set on a tie breaker and took the fourth as well but all that is now history

What was it that beat Borg? For one thing he made tatal mistakes when he should have capitalised on his early lead in that crucial third set when he led 4.1 with his own serve to follow For mother McEnroe used his head

and kept his cool

There were some doubtful line calls against both men but while one has grown accustomed to watching Borg take it all in his stride it was surpris ing to see McEnroe hesitate, bite his lip and continue playing without a murmur Yet the calls in this final were so often doubtful that even Borg asked twice for clarification on the part of the umpire. It seemed inevit able that McEnroe would blow his top in the same fashion as he had in the earlier rounds but there was not a trace of those familiar tantrums

On one occasion, with McEnroe serving at 45 down in the third set umpire Bob Jenkins overruled a lines mans call to give Borg a 40 15 lead, which McEnroe, as described over came It was a call that could have gone either way but McEnroe clearly thought that Borg's shot had gone over the baseline He asked the umpire if he had seen the ball and Jenkins answered in the aftirmative Similar incidents had given rise to wild uncon







Connors throws himself acigss the court in an attempt to reach a shot from Vijay Amritraj in the quarter finals. The Indian lost

trolled outbursts in the earlier rounds and there was a deathly silence around Centre Court as the crowd waited for McEnroe's reaction. There was none for he just hesitated took a deep breath and then hammered his way out of trouble.

It was a great match producing tennis of the same calibre as had the classic. Borg Connors semi-final two days previously. Borg began in total command and McEnioc only managed two points on his opponents first four service games. Borg a notoriously slow starter had found his rhythm right away and he had McEnroe completely off balance.

For the American trins however, there was a note of cheef McLinge's service, which had troubled him throughout the earlier rounds working him into a frenzy of self disgust was functioning at its lethal best. It was significant perhaps that his very first serve—which was also the opening point of the final—was a ball that Borg put a yard over the baseline even as he struggled to control his return. As it turned out, it was an omen a portent of things to come

After Borg and taken the tirst set 6.4 McEnroe seemed to realise that he would have to vary his shots and try and break up Borg's game. This he did

in admirable fashion. He began to use the sliced backhand alternately with his favourite topspin. He did not rush instinctively to the net instead he played Borg from the baseline gauging the situation before playing his approach shots and advancing to tinish off the points.

off the points

It all added up to fascinating tennis and there were some astounding rallies as both men trided copybook shots finding incredible angles and threading the lines just when such feats appeared impossible. Both of them covered ground extremely well, although McEnroc a full stone lighter than their encounter here list year was much faster than he had ever been before

Then he began to use the lob against Borg forcing him back to the baselinc even as he moved to the net for the kill Borg must have been desperate for he is no instinctive volleyer but he needed points and to do that he had to take the risk. He mide mistakes at the net. Even when he volleyed there was not the same crispness or accuracy is there was in McEntoe's volleying. McI nroc seized on this weakness and made up valuable ground. And if he found Borg strong at the net he lobbed him these splendid shots throwing the champion off balance and turning the tables, making McEnroe the hunter and Borg the hunted

McEnroe excelled himself in the tie breaker in the second and third sets which he took at 7.1 and 7.4. Both these tic breakers were critical to the outcome of the match as indeed all tie breakers are but McEnroe scemed to find something extra at the time There were two particular shors that need mention for they were shots of pure genious. They were shots of a gambler a bold brilliant gambler At-4.3 in the tie breaker of the third set McEnroe needed something special to pull ahead once and for all A thunder ing crosscourt, and backhand down the line got him two points he so desper ately needed superb shots that probably even he would be hardpressed to repeat coming is they did in succession

That then was the story of a great final It was strange to see Borg serving to stay in the match, but even though he led 300 in that list game he could not press home the advantage. Iwo long volleys brought McIn roc level and in attempted crosscourt that ended in the net give him a match point. Borg forced his way to deuce as McI nice miscued a volley but the end was only two points away.

And so we were treated to the strange unfamiliar scene of watching Bjorn Bork raise the runner up medal with a rucful look on his face while it was John McEnroe who held aloft the gold cup that bore Bork's name as the winner of five consecutive titles. I was a little nervous on that final volley until I saw that he wasn't going to get it and it was all over. I was not relaxed then and I won't be until I get out of here and back to my own place.

said McEnroe

"After the second set I told myself to close the door on him and not let him back in the match Boig's record is a truly great one but I am pleased to be the one who stopped it As a matter of fact when I started to go down on my knees at the end of the match I told myself that I must get up again because Boig always does that '

Thus it was that McFnroe received the winner's trophy from the Duchess of Kent raising it as the crowd cheered his every move. And away from it all on the fringe of the action stood Bjorn Borg, writing to receive his first ever runners up medal.

McEnroe's doubles victory in part neiship with the ebullient Peter Fleming was the first step towards his double triumph the next day. The Fleming McEnroe combination met Stan Smith and Bob I utz in the final but defeated them in straight sets 6.4.6.4.6.4.6.4 to regain the title that the Australians Peter McNamara and Paul McNamee's sia, hed away from them last year. In the ladies doubles. Navi i tiloval and Shriver seeded second beat the Jordan Smith combine the top seeds. In straight sets 6.3.7.6.

DOTH men's semi finals strangely behavior featured a left handed American in each case against a right handed opponent. These two matches were played on the Centre Court on Thursday, July 2 and totalled no less than six hours 35 minutes.

The first match featured second seed McEnroe against the unsung challenger Rod Frawley of Australia, who placed in his third Wimbledon this year It was a slow game, with both players using the maximum possible 30 seconds between points. The Amer ican is not one of the fastest players on the circuit as it is and it was surprising that a three set encounter lasted three hours Indeed the first three games of the match consumed 25 minutes set ting the trend for the rest of the encounter Yet I rawley the rookie on the Centre Court seemed to be show ing no sign of nerves it ill. He came to terms with his own game quicker than his more experienced opponent and handled the left hander's game well

But it was obvious that McEnroe would break free of the stranglehold and so he did He took some time to get into his stride using the left handers natural idvantage on his serve cramping I rawley and gradually stepping up the pressure

McEnroe however allowed himself to run foul of the administration yet again. In the first set he allowed a first serve of Frawley's to go past thinking it had hit the tape but the umpire did not call and the point went to Frawley. 'Wasn't that a let?' in quired the petulant McEnroe

"No, it was not Mr McEnroe" re plied the umpire, Wing Commander Grimes of the Royal Air Force

That was enough to upset the American, "But I heard it hit the tape," he shouted

"Why don't you ask the net cord l

Where's that bounce?

THERE seems to be a number of dead spots on the famous Wimbledon grass, noticeably so on Centre Court and Court No 1 On a number of occasions during match es in the first ten days, players were bewildered by shots that kept inex plicably low or failed to rise at all Vijay Amritraj was a victim of this in his seesaw quarter final against number three seed Jimmy Connors and so was John McEnroe against Johan Kriek later the same day

Number two court at the All England Club has been thus afflicted for a number of years, as the number of upsets on it will testify But this year, it seems, the malady is spreading Number one court is definitely softer this year than it has been previously The theory for this suggests that it might be partly due to an accumula tion of dust from the club's three million pounds buildings program me as well as the new high roofs interfering with the circulation of air

Said McEnroe of Centre Court "You can't get any bounce out of it The ball just dies" Hana Mandliko va, too, had her share of problems "The courts seemed very dead and were difficult to play on It was not the same as Wimbledon has been in the past"

Pam Shriver tended to agree with them too After she upset Tracy Austin in straight sets on Centre Court, she said "I tried whenever possible to play the ball down the centre where the men had been coming and digging up the court so Tracy would get a bad bounce and have to dig her shots out"

Martina Navratilova was more harsh in her criticism of the courts at the All England Club "The Wimbledon courts are nothing like as good as the ones we played on at Eastbourne just before this tournament"

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judge it he heard anything?

The serve was not called let, Mr McEnroe Please play on

Grimes was right, of course for McEnroe was not entitled to ask for such a clarification but the famous temper was coming to the boil McEnroe prowled the base line, mutering darkly before shouting "you oughto".

darkly before shouting, 'you oughtn't to be here None of you ought to be here"

But the volcano really erupted in the final set, when McEnroe grumbled about a line call. It was clear that the ball had fallen inside the court, but McEnroe insisted that Frawley had hit.

over the baseline The umpire natural ly gave the point to Frawley, ignoring McEnroe's outburst, but this was too much for the temperamental American

As he retreated to the baseline to receive serve, he shouted clear enough for everyone at the courtside to hear, "You're a disgrace to mankind'

Grimes's response was instantaneous Mr McEnroe, I am fining you one penalty point for unbecoming be haviour. You were wained previously "

McEnroe explored What did you say? You're tining me a point? For what? Now what have I done? I was talking to myself I wasn't directing that comment at anyone in particular I was just talking to myself

But Grimes was unmoved 'The penalty point stands Please play on

McEnroe refused. I won't go on Please call the referee. I want to see the referee. I won't continue until I can speak to the referce.

Fred Hoyles appeared and asked Grimes for his version of the story then listened to McLinoe's explanation He too was adamant. The penalty stands. You were rude to the umpire.

But I was talking to myself

argued McEnroe

You were looking in the direction of the umpire and everyone heard you clearly. The penalty point stands

That the rwisthat Butwas McFn roe really referring the umpire. It is not uncommon for McFnroe to lash out at officials yet on the other hind it is just as often that McLnroe shouts in order to goad himself on to better tennis. On this occasion it was difficult to tell what he intended but what he aid was clearly audible and he certainly was looking it umpire Grimes.

He won in straight sets 76 6 4 7 5 serving better is the game went on piling up nine aces. Friwley for his part was forced into errors a McFn roe began using his whipping topspin to deadly effect, finding the winning angles all too frequently.

There were no spare seats for the Connors Borg semis as every spare inch of space was utilised by expectant tans looking forward to the clash of the titans. And the clash of the titans it truly was

It was a match the like of which said the old timers they had never seen before. Connors the aggressor playing at a pace which would have exhausted lesser mortals was pitted against the brilliant unruffled Borg Connors knew there was only one way to beat the legend and that was to get him in a corner and batter him into abmission. Connors got Borg into a corner. Connors battered him. But Borg refused to submit.

It made tor incredible tennis, fight ing tennis at its very best brilliant tennis to describe which mere adjectives are meaningless. This, then, was true championship tennis. No tan trums, no questioning of line calls just a fierce will to succeed and destory.

Connors blitzed Borg in the first set, taking it 60 But the question on everyone's lips was. How long can he keep it up? The one man demolition squad continued to dictate terms and Borg lost the second the scoreboard showing 60 64 to Connors.

What Borg needed was time Time to find his test. Time to get that service working He needed time to find a breathing space and Connors gave him time in the third set. He made mistakes. Just a few but they were there and they were all that Borg needed to gain a respite. The blizing topspin on either side began to whip across the net with more assurance. Connors was no longer the hunter, he was the hunted.

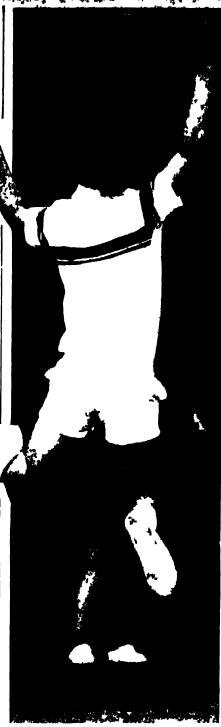
Not that it nattered for Connors wis up by two sets to love. Bore began to take risks coming in to the net on twk wird shots. They were risks. Borg would normally have avoided but this was an extraordinary situation and risks had to be taken. Connors hit two forch ands over the baseline unforced errors, and Borg had a break of serve he needed buildy. This give him a 2.0 lead in the third set and he hung on to it ten iclously.

The way estage near it seemed that the old borg magic sar beginning to reas erraiself. The Sylede took eight point in crow and his serve found its length and pace. The aces began to pile up giving borg vital point. Con nor me inwhile looked as it he was becoming a spent force. He began to lose control of the volle—he everthat from the baseline his crosscourt, and passing shots lacked the culturest amp of genius.

They would probably have camed him point against other men but not again t Borg Borg tor his part con jured up shot at imazing ingles a finding the chilk regularly. An over head and he had the third set at 6.3.

He broke Connors's opening ser vice sime in the fourth is the Amer ic in double fiulted and hit in over he id into the bottom of the net But Connors began to attack again incred ibly Iwo ices pulled Borg out of trouble and he held breaking once ig in The pres up was mounting on Connor and he begin to crick There were no more hammerblows from his racket no more of those big booming drive volleys - ves drive volleys, that had had Borg in knot. He vas not running down balls a he had cutier. but he was still fighting. And he was till in front

Another ace—his eleventh—from Borg and a brilliant passing shot that left Connors stranded. The fourth set went to the defending champion at 6.0 and the contest was now even. But Connors found his old thythm. It was incredible. This was vintage Connors.



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in as good if not better form than he had displayed in the 1974 timal when he had deteated Ken Rosewall. He just refused to give up and set about hun chine his own private counter attack. He held serve at love but Borg drew lesel and had Connors down 0.40 on the American's serve.

This was the most among part of the match. With three break points against him Connors powered his way back into the game, holding to lead 2.1 Borg levelled at 2.2 neutralising a break point with vet another accounting was down 0.40 a second time but bounced back in imazing tashion to lead 3.2. Borg held to level once

more, making it 3.3 Connors served from 0.40 down yet again, winning two points but lost the next to give Borg a service break at 4.3

That then was it Borg led for the first time in an incredible encounter going on to take the set at 6.4 bringing the match to a close after three hours and 34 minutes. It was a match that had spectators faining in the stands policemen trying to keep the peace between rival factions in the stands and the unpire repeatedly appealing to the spectators to keep quiet so that the game could continue.

What then turned the tide? Those mistakes by Connors in the third set without a doubt. That and the fact that Borg finally man iged to get his service working. He served no less than 16 aces in the match without which there would definitely have been two Americans in the men's singles final. Connors would have beaten anyone in the world that day the pity of it was he faced. Borg

After the game a reflective Connors said ruefully. I guess I should have gone to the net a little more but I had to pick my shots before doing that I have played a lot of close matches like this. It is part of the business I had mough chances in the fifth and so did he. I thought I played pretty well in that set and even when I did make mistakes. I wasn't missing by much

He had to play his best to beat me but I play like this all the time I give everything I ve got. That swhat people pay for and that s what I try to give them. I tried to come on strong in the third set to finish the match but I was not as tight as I should have been.

THE total point of the first half of the last week was the advance of the unseeded players. At the end of the first week, there were only three seeds left in the top half of the draw. Fop seed Bjorn Borg was pitted against twelfth seed. Peter McNamara, while Jimmy Connors had to face unseeded Vijiy Amrittaj. In the lower half, the only remaining seed.

John Mcknroe faced South African Johan Krick while Rod Friwley of Australia matched his skills against those of American Tim Mayotte The outcome of three of these matches was never really in doubt but the Amrit tay Connors clash was obviously going to produce some brilliant tennis

Both men lived up to their reputations and the Centre Court crowd watched one of the most enthralling matches of the championships on a warm afternoon when the sun bathed the court in a brilliant glow for the most part of the game Connors won 26-57-64-63-62 but not before both players had treated the spect tors to a specific hat proceed a rismanship still exit in the formal competitive world of proceedings.

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On one occasion, as he chased a crisp volley, he failed to get his racket to it but his momentum carried him off court Shouting in disgust, the number three carried on running right up to the closest television camera and put his face right into the lens

Then on another occasion, he was on a baseline when Vijay used a drop volley Connors launched himself into the chase missed the ball and instead of stopping, vaulted right over the net. The Indian helped him to his feet and Connors whipped round as if to hit him with his racket. But it was all in good spirit and even as the cameras trained on the two men, Connors grinned and stuck out his hand to congratulate his

opponent for the shot

On vet another occasion both men faced each other at the net and Con nors came off second best as a shot by Vijay hit the tape and trickled over Vijay raised his racket in apology and Connors stood stock still for a split second and then burst into the classic pose of a fencer, his racket substituting for the sword The crowd natural ly loved every minute of it, for this was tennis of vore, tennis before every point carned was a dollar in the bank It was the old age of chivalry on court and it will probably be a long, long time before a Wimbledon Centre Court crowd will see the likes of such a game

More seriously though it was only tenacity and unbelievable stubborn ness on the part of Jimmy Connors that won him the match after he was two sets down. I can't ever remember having been down by two sets at Wimbledon and coming back in such a

Funny side up

MOST, if not all Wimbledon Mhumour, stemmed from off court sources First of all, there were some marvellous cartoons in the local Press After there had been an uproar following the attempts to put a stop to grunting by players, there was a classic that appeared in the Daily Mail It depicted a moustached old gentleman telling his wife, "It's not the Concorde overhead, dear, it's only Connors grunting"

Then, after McEnroe started the tournament by rubbing the officials up the wrong way, there was another that featured him looking at a lady umpire with surprises written all over his face Alongside him another man explains, "You'll find this one rather tough" The lady umpire, naturally, is none other than Margaret Thatcher

And when McEnroe showed the Centre Court crowd that he was capable of good—if not excellent—behaviour, there was yet another cartoon that drew a lot of laughs It was divided into two sections. The first depicted a scowling McEnroe with headband, gesturing angrily even as his features crease in a frightening scowl. The second depicts an angelic McEnroe, with his headband transformed into a glowing halo above his head.

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tashios. I trust to stay out filese the compete and the struggle was good for me as it proved something to me I tried not to think about winning or losing I just want to play tennis"

Thus did James Scott Connors, the 1974 champion, complete a remark able recovery to win through to the semi final against his old adversary Borg Amritraj played better tennis, but seemed to run out of steam in the closing stages of the match, just when he required to maintain his coordination Connors seemed the fitter man that day and in any five set encounter, it is always the fitter man who wins

In the ultimate analysis, however, there were two shots that turned the tide in Connors' favour. The first was the lob, which he used to devastating effect in the third and fourth sets, only resorting to it in the fifth when he was in serious trouble. Very often the Indian would advance to the net to finish off a point and Connors would lob him with perfect shots to win valuable points, points that went a long way in awaying the tide.

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The second shot that Connors used to destroy his opponent was the return of volley Very often, Vijay's angled volleys seemed like outright winners, but Connors would chase the ball out of the court area run it down and despatch it with such force and accuracy that the capacity crowd could only gasp in admiration Connors converted sure winners into points for himself on no less than nine occasions with these spectacular shots, thus gaining valuable breathing space just when he needed it most

It was appropriate, therefore, that





PAM SHRIVER

CHRIS EVERT LLOYD





point Vijay, fighting to hold his server, despatched a Connors backhand with a drop volley that was well disguised yet where lesser men would have been content to concede the point, Connors launched himself after the ball like a locomotive. He ran from baseline to net intercepting the ball as it fell, taking it inches off the ground with a thundering forehand down the line that Vijay had no inswer to

It was in the fourth set really that Vijav lost the match. He led 2.1 and had a break point on Connor's serve. It was a point on which, in retrospect the outcome of the battle hinged and Connors won it in an unexpected fishion. His serve has been overshi dowed by that of his opponent but now he plused launching himself into a thundering service that Vijav could just get his racket to Ironic then that the weaker server should save his skin.

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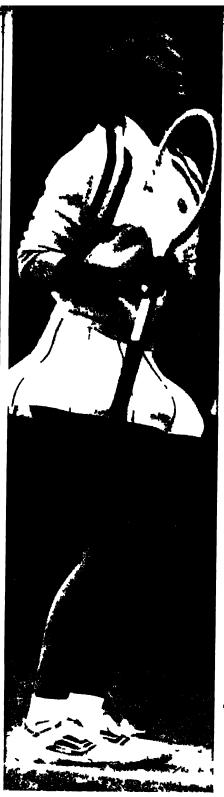
That was the beginning of the end for Vijay only managed three games thereafter. His game deteriorated while Connors stepped up the pace going for the kill. His domination was so complete that Vijay only took two points in the last four games of that set He broke Vijay's serve in the second game of the final set with two ritling backhand service returns to take a 20 lead. Although the Indian held his next two service games at war just a matter of time as Connors already had the cital break Sure enough he broke serve in the eighth game to take a marathon three and a halt hours struggle that not only produced brilliant tennis, but kentlem in ly behaviour a well

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And those who were fortunate enough to witness that match will cherish the memory of it for years to come

WHILE this battle progressed on Centre Court Bork made short work of McNamara on court number one to notch up his 40th straight win at



the region and the half Mart 4N to a care in a graffe of martished against the horizon.

Wimbledon since his loss to Arthur Ashe in 1975 McN image pulled out all the stops in the first set taking the champion to the tie breaker but it was at precisely this point that Borg proved his class romping home 7.2 to take the first set

McNamara, it was clear, put every thing into his game in the opening set, to speak, and began to pull off amazing shots, leaving McNamara shaking his head in bewilderment. He served better than he had in the first and seemed to be playing his best tennis of the tournament, unshaken by McNamara's supreme confidence.

Even though the Australian's serve continued to function well, Borg just turned on the heat with some immaculate returns. McNamara's bustling tactics were not paying dividends as the untlappable Borg tore him to shreds 6.2.6.3 in the second and third sets. Borg therefore became the only semitinalist not to have lost a set but he did admit. Of course, I can be beaten at Wimbledon. I am very proud however of what I have achieved here and though I will have to be at the top of my game to win the championship. I im really motivited now.

THE surprise semi-finalist, of CLUISE was the ruggedly hand some Australian Rod Frawley aftec tion itely referred to by his country men is Franks. It became obvious in the early stages of the tournament that there was going to be an unseeded semi finalist. With the early exit of all four seeds in the third quarter it became a lottery in more sen es than one to decide who would take the coveted berth igainst econd seed John Mcknroe. It was currous how the eeds tell in this quarter Roscoc I in ner the plucky 1979 fin dist sent out toold withorse Carlos Karmayr in four ets in the second round. The eighth seed, who had stretched Borg to five sets in the 1979 final went down 6.4 6.1 5.6 6.2 The upset meant that there was not a smale seed left in the quarter is early is the econd round. Pare had been three other major up ets in the first round is Victor. Lecel Guillerm Vilus and Ivan Lendl ill rished to isneminiou defea-

John McLiner processed part in sceded Johan Kriek of South Africa. M Liner bigge t problem in this encounter with the truckle to keep him with hut Arone take when there was in atrociou line cill actinist him McLiner looked up at the unprican istonishment stufed to as omething and their clapped his hand over his mouth in a most un McLiner like mainer that had the Centic Court crowd in gales of Liughter.

Krick maniged only one Lime in the opening set as the American blitzed him from all angles but improved to stretch the second seed to 7.5 in the second. In the third however McEnroe dictated terms with some invesome serve and volley tactics and the score of 6.1.7.5. 6.1 told the whole story of the rout.

After her 6--2 6-2 rout at the hands of Chris Lloyd Hana Man dlikova gave her own issessment 'She didn't beat me I beat myself'

The match in retrospect hinged on the second game Mandlikova served and held in the first but Lloyd con ceded a break point in the next game she would have had a 20 lead and the story might have been slightly different As it happened, she lost the point, Evert went on to take the game—and, ultimately the title as well

Mandlikova was tense 'Since this was my first Wimbledon final I expected to be tense and I was indeed' But this was no excuse for the way in which she played Strangely, she chose to play Lloyd from the baseline in stead of going to the net and trying to force the pace 'She made mistakes all round the court except when she lobbed and put so much pressure on herself that it was simply a question of how long Lloyd would take to wrap up the match

'I am very disappointed that I lost but although I played badly I was happy about one thing that I entered the final It was not a nice match at all "Mandlikova admitted that her tactics were unusual but stressed 'I didn't alter them because I thought I was going about it the best way I ven when I was 25 down in the second set I feel I could do it

But it was Chris Lloyd's day and she made no mistakes staying in control throughout. Hand did not play her best tennis true. Both of us were nervous wrecks but it must have been worse for her because she played a sloppy, loose sort of game.

She didn't use her head. If she had done that she could have mide up some lost ground.

In the ladies section Chris I loyd took her place is aimst H in i M indliko vi for the seventh find in nine years a trick record that must surely rink ilongside the bet. Yet strangely enough I loyd feels that her record is not as good as it should have been. The 26 year old Florida veter in who open by admits that she is fed up of being the old lady of the circuit showed no signs of age whatsoryer as she stormed past compatriot. Pam. Shriver in straight sets. 6.3. 6.1.

Shriver who need to pull her serve and volley game together to force a win just could not get going as the former champion used every trick in the book to establish her mastery. To start with Shriver's service was functioning well below par and on one occasion she exclaimed in exasperation. I'm serving so badly, Her trist serve never got going and when it serve never got going and when it came in it wasn't sharply angled enough or simply too short.

After she had demolished Shriver Lloyd explained. I did not feel very casual about getting into my fourth successive final although I was eager to do so. The only time I feel I am losing my edge is when maybe I am winning too easily. Howeve, I have not had any trouble of this kind at Wimbledon. I have still not been extended but that shows that I am playing well. Everything is going as planned and I should find my peak in the final I would like a few more of my first serves to come in My percentage in this regard is not as high as I would.

itke it to be and it will have to improve against. Hand She is brilliant, but moody. She is a bit like Evonne On her off days she can lose to anyone. She is stronger and hits the ball harder Perhaps Evonne's movement and reflexes are better but Hand moves well and these are similar in many respects. If both of us are at the top of our game in the final there should be only one or two points in it either way but Hand is a difficult person to play against because she is so unpredictable. Besides, she has no obvious weakness.'

Shriver said. I think Chris wants to win this final and go out in a blaze of glory perhaps to start a family. That would be a real fairy tale ending. She has been around for quite some time now and I don't think she wants to play in all the tough tournaments any more. To come out a loser in four straight finals would be yet; and

finals would be very sad

In the other ladies' semi final Man
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Chris Evert leturns a two handed shot in the women's singles final against Mandikos a



facing Chris Lloyd in her first ever Wimbledon final. The younger girl served better despite being called for footfaulting, while Naviatilova's serve fell apart. In addition, the two time winner also made far too miny errors on her volleys, and in taking the second set seemed to have expended so much energy that she had nothing left for the third.

I thought I played okay and over all I felt I returned erve better than Hana said Navratilos a after her de feat. She played even better against me this time than she did in the US Open last year. The pressure was on her and she performed magnificently.

I don't regret having attacked the scedings even though she beat me. I will be playing one more tournament before the US Open and I hope I can redeem myself by winning there. If my service is working the rest of my game falls into place, but that just wasn't the case today.

I his was one of my biggest match es admitted the victor. But I treated Martina like any other player and not specially because she was born in my country. I was nervous on the first two points but everything went all right for me after that

It is half past name at night on Saturday July 4. The Centre Court is deserted the covers drawn over the turk. Yet another Wambledon Championship is over 50me dreams have come true. Several others have been shattered, some for ever.

The sky is darkening is inother long English summer evening draws to a close. But there is a tinge of sadness to this sunset. Gone are the bustling crowds that thronged the All England Club for the list fortnight each one in search of his or her own Holy Grail.

There is a stringe silence all around a silence that one finds hard to come to terms with after the bustle of the past few days. Even the Press room the scene of so much heetic and often frontic activity as quiet. The long desks are deserted claimed of the flots among the pressure of the poundists always seem to carry around. Another Wimbledon has come and gone.

Next year will bring another championship but now there is only silence and emptiness. And sadne's Yes there is sadness too so many gillant games, so many glorious victories so many heartbreaking detests. All things of the last. The victories will go down in the history books, the detests will be brooded over for years to come.

I chew the end of my pen as I try to think of a perfect ending but none comes. I take a walk along the cold dark corridors which were filled with people only hours ago but which are now only full of shadows. In the growing darkness. I have to strain my eyes to decipher a message that someone has placed on the scoreboard of number three court. It reads. Well played, IP. Bad luck Bjorn.

Yes that is it. The purfect ending

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Surrey cannot be ignored

ASHIS RAY reports from London

WITH the Benson and Hedges quar ter finals scheduled for June 24 but staggered over three days due to the omnipotent nastiness of the weath er, the main feature of that week was naturally these matches

Somerset with their top stars presently in very good form were the unofficial favourites at Headingley and not unbecomingly got the better of Yorkshire by three wickets But Leicestershire somewhat unexpected by beat Sussex at Hove by four wick ets. In the other two encounters more difficult to predict beforehand. Surrey defeated Nottinghamshire by 47 runs it. Frent Bridge and Kent prevailed over Wirwickshire by 14 runs in a tie shifted from Canterbury to The Oval because the former ground was completely waterlogged even after two days' postponement.

At Headingley Yorkshire put in to

Imran Khan in good touch this season



bat, stitched together 221 for nine in the 55 overs with Bill Athey and the veteran John Hampshire both scoring 58 propping up the innings Joel Gar ner with three for 33 emerged as the most impressive Somerset bowler, while Ian Botham went wicketless in conceding 34 runs. The visitors then, replied with a first wicket stand of 135 between Brian Rose (68) and Peter Denning (66) with Viv Richards slam ming a 47 thereafter Of course Some rset subsequently lost quick wickets to be seven down for 223 but they reached their goal with seven balls to spare and that's what matters in this brand of "instant cricket

Gauging from the behaviour of the pitch in the England Australia first Test, the battle between Surrey and Notts was going to be one between the quickies in the two sides. In the event Sylvester Clarke and Robin Jackman stole the thunder away from Richard Hadlee and Clive Rice by sending the home team packing for 179 after their batsmen had hoisted 226 for seven Jackman captured four for 24 and his ally two for 26 and barring the perky Derck Randall who got 62 none of the others could offer much resistance. In Surrey's total skipper Roger Knight was top scorer with 70 and he was well supported by a knock of 48 by Graham Clinton

At Hove Sussex were without Im ran Khan who is in exceedingly good touch with both bat and ball this season as the Pakistani had a leg injury. And they seemed to teel his absence obtaining only 196 for nine (Paul Phillipson who was born in Brind ivan in India got 59) and then failing to restrict the opposition to less than that as leavesters with a polished 67 from Chris Balderstone. 44 from David Gower and a priceless 47 lower down in the order from Mike Garnham produced 199 for six although with just five balls in hand.

In the last of the confrontations the match between Kent and Warwick shire curtailed to 50 overs was decided in favour of the former after the latter chasing a score of 193 for eight which included a handsome 78 by Chris Tayare lost all their wickets for 179 (the young left hander Andy Lloyd notching up a 60 in this) West Indian John Shepherd was the best bowler here with a return of three for 24 Incidentally, Warwicks sidelined Dilip Doshi in this match, preferring the services of the all rounder Anton Ferreira, who accomplished figures of three for 38 with his medium pacers

So, the semi finals come off on July

Vivian Richards



DICKING the 'Player of the Week' is a very difficult assign ment this week There was no run away performer, and at least three cricketers can be deemed as serious contenders

First of all, there was Vivian Richards, who got 63 and 118 in the match against Worcestershire, followed by a dashing innings of 47 in the Benson and Hedges tie Of course, he was out for nought in the John Player League clash with Kent

Then there was Derek Randall, who produced a superb innings of 162 not out against Lancashire, and thereafter, that skilful knock of 60 in the Benson and Hedges However, he strung together no more than 18 in the week's John Player League outing

Finally, there was Richard Had lee, exhibiting his wares in full measure in taking seven for 25 at Liverpool versus Lancashire. And notably enough, he captured two wickets for not very many in the Benson and Hedges, and although without any reward in the Sunday League conceded no more than 22 runs.

So which do you choose from these teats as the best of the week? After deep introspection, one comes to the conclusion that one of Richards' showing contributed to an important victory for his teaming the Benson and Hedges—while none of either Randall's of Hadlee's pyrotechnics could achieve that end With slight reservations, therefore, the nominee is Isaac Vivian Alexander Richards

Does he need an introduction? Even a cursory interest in the game, must have brought one against this name for he is, in the opinion of many, the master bats man of the present era It's been a slow start for him, with his numer ous fans having to wait till mid June for a first Championship hun dred this season But since its erup tion, it's a vintage Richards that people are watching, every innings virtually a memorable experience for the spectator indeed, if sometreet win anything this year, and they probably will, the Antiguan is besiend to be at the lesing of such anything this lesing of such anything the such anything

to Sant and Leicestershire, respectively Ladbrokes, the bookmakers, had quoted Somerset as joint favourites (with Middlesex) at five to one This County must now be very strongly in the running. At the same time, Surrey cannot be ignored.

Earlier Sussex beat Essex by an

Earlier Sussex beat Essex by an innings and 21 runs and Northampton shire defeated Derbyshire by nine wickets in the Schweppes County Championship This carried Sussex to the top of the table with 88 points from

Right Peter Denning cooling himself during his knock and bottom Joel Garner – the most impressive Somerset bowler



86 points from only seven outings, the Sportsworld Editor's adopted County are not as favourably placed as their closest rivals. In Sussex's victory, John Barclay took eight for 137 in the match after the Sri Lanka born opener Gehan Mendis and Paul Parker had both got hundreds. Northants' win was conspired by Geoff Cook and Wayne Lirkins who put on 279 for the opening wicket in the second innings. For Det by John Wright had hit a ton in the first innings and Peter Kirsten the talented South African, in the second But their bowlers lacked penetration altogether.

In the unproductive issues Richards recorded a century in consecutive matches when striking one against Worcestershire with Rose the Somerset skipper keeping him company in the three figure bracket. But the unbeaten 105 conjured by Dipalk Patel the 22 year old Kenyan Asian in the Worcestershire squad was quite significant as it symbolised a marked improvement in this youngsters per formance this summer. He is an fact in all rounder and a pretty useful one at that

Equally perfunent were the hundreds by Randall and Rice for Notisignant Lancishure where David Lloyd returned the compliment after Hadlee with a bay of seven for 25 had shot out Clive Lloyd's team for 179 in the first venture

Also one cinnot overlook the episode of Ziheer Abb is cirving out inother delightful innings this time 101 not out versus Himpshire jetti soned i it wis by a knock of exactly a hundred by Sidiq Mohammed Prior to that Gordon Greenidge had cut loose in murderous tashion at the expense of the Cloucestershire attack in an essay of 140

At the end of all the Zaheer remained on top of the First Class but ting averages with 12377 and his aggregate of 865 was also the highest at this tage Sylvester Clarke with 36 wickets at 14.91 apiece was top of the chart in bowling, although Paul Allot with a haul of 42 had claimed more victims.

In the John Player League Some risct lost to Kent, which give Sussex a four point lead over their challengers sus ex and Someriset had been at a level peg for some time, but this could be an important break for the former who look every well balanced side this year.

In the tour games Sri I inka drew with Warwickshire in a three day aff in but beat Middlesex in a one day which could not have tailed to draw the attention of the International Cricket Conference who discuss the country's application for full membership in July Interestingly enough about the same time as Sri Lanka's success, the otherwise resourceful Australians went down to Lancashire in an over limit duel. This sums up the glorious uncertainties of cricket doesn't it?



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Farce at the Eden

The July 4 League tie between Mohammedan Sporting and East Bengal was abandoned Here we present CHUNI GOSWAMI'S reaction

A MATCH was to be played—i acciucial football match at that—and no farce. Instead the latter was staged. But it was i farce that hardly makes one laugh especially people like me who have been so deeply involved and in love with this game for a long time.

The match was between Fast Be 1 gal and Mohammedan Sporting—the two of the trio that dominate the Indian soccer scene. Naturally excitement rose to lever pitch with hundreds and thousands of people thronging the ticket counters in run and in sun. But what happened? About 35

minutes before the scheduled time for kick off a torrential downpour set in And the spectacle the ground offered thereafter was far from anything like football—a few dhoti clad groundsmen miking desperate efforts of course, at the instance of football officials to clear the water that had accumulated almost all over the ground particular ly around the four corners and the goal area at the old payilion end with broomsticks

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Is not the scene incongruous—especially in this day and age? There were a few Soviet baskethallers invited to watch the match—before they them selves gave a demonstration of their skills at a different venue. This specialle must have taken them back at least to the 19th century. For today, they are seeing automation at its flowing best and contemplating settlements in distant planets. But our officials seemed to take pleasure in wallowing in the quagmire of primitivism. Other wise, we would never have indulged in such a ridiculous exercise.

Now the question that haunts every mind at such moments of confusion and anguish is who is to blame—the referee the ground or the monsoon itself. It must be said that the only option open to the referee was to abandon the match straightaway. But

that did not happen For at least 45 minutes everybody was kept in sus pense as to what would happen. Not only the referee and his issistants but a small crowd of club officials is well, were roaming the ground ostensibly inspecting it. But no decision was reached and the referee never looked like the sole authority on the ground which he indeed, is He was frequent by stopping his inspection of the ground to confer with people who had no right to enter the field. This was but gross violation of football rules.

The I ast Bengal Mohun Bagan match which was scheduled to be played at the Eden Gardens on July 18 will now be played on July 22

However it wis not at all very difficult to come to a decision. According to the rule of the ball floats instead of rolling its full circumference the ground should be adjudged unit for play I verybody seemed to be aware of this rule except the referee.

The tootball season in India coin cides with the monsoon and it is not that Indians have never attained great heights playing the game in this season

Therefore the question that remains unanswered is whether the Eden Gardens is fit for football at all Ms plain inswer to this question is no. In fact tootball was handed down to us by the Britishers. What did they do? They chose the Calcutta Lootball.



Referee Dilip Sen talking with players of both the teams

The scene at the Eden Gardens

THE scene at the Eden Gardens in the afternoon of July 4 was to be seen to be believed. As ex pected the stands were filled to the brim much before the commence ment of the match. The supporters of the two clubs, Mohammedan Sporting and East Bengal, were divided sharply into two sets of stands Everyone was waiting anx iously for the match to begin But about 35 minutes before the sche duled time for kick off, a heavy downpour set in It was greeted with thunderous applause by the Mohammedan Sporting supporters, who thought that the rain affected ground would be to their advan tage

But to e envlody's dismay, the ra n continued pouring heavily and soon there appeared pools of water in some parts of the ground especially in front of one of the goals The referee, along with the lines men entered the field and started inspecting the playing area. They were followed by the two teams who took one end each and started

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For the next 40 odd minutes heetic ictivity was noticed in the field the referee Dilip Sen was seen talking to the indian bootball Association ceretary Ashok (Nan tul Mitra the captains of the two team Moidul Islam (Mohammedan Sporting and Monoranjan Bhat tachirvi (basi Bengali and the coaches Nint i Mitra was shuttling between the Club House and the playing are holding discu-ions with the Home Secretary the Police Commissioner and the Cap tains and officials of both the sides

What one fails to understand is why the referee who is the supreme authority on the field, was talking to the IFA secretary, coaches, officials and players It was entirely his job to decide the fact of the match (which he ultimately did, after long consultations with the two captains 45 minutes after the scheduled time) Again why was the IFA secretary talking to government officials? What do they know of football that they would have to be consulted on whether or not the match should be played?

From the way things progressed it was quite apparent that the IF \ was desperate to have the match started Officials were running all over the ground and the grounds men were brought to dig outlets near the affected goal area. A little later a few other groundstaff started sweeping away the water towards the emergency sewers but it hardly made any difference be cause the overall condition was definitely not suitable for play

The referee denied that he had been told to take the decision of cancelling the match. No that was not the case. I cancelled the match because I thought it was not fit for tootball About my late decision I took some time because I saw that the IFA people were trying desper-

Mohammedan Sporting's cap tain Moidul Islam said. We were ready to play but we told the referee that if he starts the match he must finish it. As 45 minutes had ilready passed it was not pe sible to finish the match because the light had already started fiding The IFA secretary was in isting that the match be started but we tuck to our point of being a sured | SARAJIT DEB

that the match would be played tull time This was clearly not possi ble If the match had started and then not been completed and if one team was leading at the time of abandonment there could have been trouble Added to that the spectators would have had to col lect fresh tickets if the match was postponed midway. In view of these possibilities Monoranjan and I told the referee about our decision

Monoranjan said "I did not take any decision individually it was a joint decision But East Bengal coach Santo Mitra said 'Right from the beginning I had insisted that the game cannot be played in such conditions. Upnecessarily they delayed tiking a decision Even if they had started the match it would not have finished because there will bound to be appeal for had light after one time

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Club ground (now the Mohun Bacin A. C) for soccer and the I den Gurdens for cricket and not without reason The basic requisites of a good tootball ground are that it must be somewhat oval its soil must be composed of sand cinder and clay and it must have a good drainage system. But the Eden is all clay and turns into a gluepot the moment it starts cuming Neither cit oval nor has it a good drainage system.

But the most disquieting tact is that we have hardly my choice but the Eden whenever a big n arch is to be played. Whenever two one clubs clashthere arises the question of a commodating a mammoth crowd. And Eden is the only inswer no maiter whether it is fit for football or not

Therefore the only thing we can look forward to is the proposed stadium it Silt Lake fill then let us sit with in tingers crossed And hope the brogastick would be replaced by ı

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CALCUTTA LEAGUE

Railway FC do it again

East Bengal had been forced to drop a point by Railway FC They even snatched a point from Mohun Bagan. who were not impressive at all Mohammedan Sporting also played scrappily, while East Bengal did not have any match this week SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB report on the matches



Aug Das goe 's shester of the mat hagainst Railway FC

MOHUN BAGAN. The home team times initiated by Wall's Rupak (uh a ill the way before they best Wari 20 both the goals coming in the second thalf of the match. Md. Habib did not play and in his place Sujas Bera was given mother chance in the left link man position. He started quite wellbut if the match progressed he eemed to lose touch and looked very nervous. Adding to his trouble was the jeers he received from the club sup 1 in making him nervous

In the first half. Mohun Bagan play ed very hapha irdly and here were hardly inviton tructive moves of note. Milit Bose miged the first chance of the day when he shot a tree ball over the cros piece from clo e. The Mohun-Big in citidel was attacked a few l

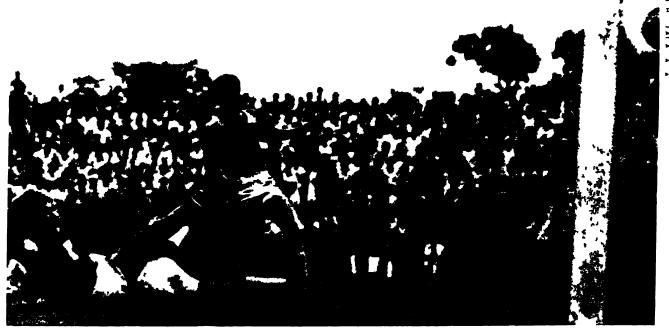
tailed to combine and had to struggle I who had two scoring opportunities but tailed to utilise either of them

Shy im Thapa replaced Sugas Bera and seemed to bring luck ilong with him Compton Dutta had overlapped with the ball and sent a high lob in front of the goalmouth. Shy im and the Warr custodian went for it and the ball came to Surapt Sengupta who gently lobbed it into the open goal Wari coach Amal Chiki wirty aid My porters who played an import oit part | custodian Mukhid could not rise ignin because he was serioully injured. Afterwards we came to know that he had torn a ligament. The second goal was more or less in the same pattern. The sub-titute custodrin could not hold on to the ball shot go dwird ind when sub-titute I though both the teams missee a few

goalkeeper Sil tried to get hold of it, the bill slipped ind went to Ulaga nathan lying close by The latter pushed it in

Amil Chakrivitty turther said Mohun Bag in didn't play well at all because there were hardly any constructive moves. Mohun Bagan coach Sankar Banerjee said 'In this kind of matches a few chances come in the beginning of the match. If those are not ivailed of the team finds it difficult to score because the players get

tense That is what happened'
THE next mitch against Railway Till next mittin against and the loothall Club was perhaps the best gime of the season. On a rainy ground the two teams played at a hot pace and perhaps in all fairness the Shy imal Bancijee had enta powerful I draw was the best possible result



Shabbir Ali scures a goal against Sonali Sibir

THE hottest news last week was that Sameresh (Pintu) Choudhury had been reg istered by his club, East Bengal In the beginning of the season, Pintu had approached the East Ben gal club officials request ing them to take him in the side He had even told them that he did not crave for any monetary benefit, but just wanted to help the team by playing, if required one or two match es The main reason for his coming to East Bengal was that he wanted to retire from his favourite club But as none of the officials had paid any heed, he had to sign voluntarily

After the transfer sea son is over, the clubs have to register the players with the Indian Football Association Though Pintu Choudhury had signed in favour of East Bengal, the club officials had not reg istered his name and so he could not play for the club But suddenly a few days before the important match against Mohamme dan Sporting, the East Bengal officials went and registered Pintu's name with the Indian Football Association

Naturally, it made news Rumours were afloat as to the reason why East Bengal club ulturate ly got Pintu registered In the first place, some peo ple said that the club did not want to retain Pintu because he might indulge in politics amongst the players, but now that they know Pintu cannot do any harm to the team, they have taken him in the club Others opined that it was just a stunt on the eve of the match against Mohammedan Sporting as at might create some psychological pressure in the opponent camp

The third rumour was that right from the begin ning of the season, a tiff had started between the Iranian players and the Bengali players in the side It seemed that the Iranians did not treat Somenath Banerjee properly during the game and abused him whenever he did anything wrong The Bengali players had protested against this and then, as the rumour went,

Maidan musings



Sameresh (Pintu) Choudhury (extrerite right) relaxing during a practice session

the Iranians said they would not play in the match against Mohamme dan Sporting and would be going back to Aligarh University, where they study

This rumour was laid to rest when the Iranian duo, Majid Basker and Jamshid Nassiri, entered the field along with the side at the Eden Gardens to play against Mohammedan Sporting (That the match did not take place is a different matter) Pintu Choudhury was present on the ground, but he was not wearing club colours He was seen with the officials of the club, sitting on the sidelmes, while all the activity was taking place inside the ground Pintu had even practised for a few days and some people had thought that he would play in that big match is he being prepared for the match against Mohun Bagan?

THE most thankless job is that of a referee and a linesman While they are paid a meagre sum to conduct the matches, most of these people render services out of their love for the game and not for the money they receive Of course, the question of

whenever the decisions of a referee or a lineaman do not coincide with those of the supporters of the Big Three, the latter shower the choicest abuses andand a few stones at the referee Sometimes, when a referee shows a yellow card to a player of the big teams, he is greeted the same way It does not mat ter whether the referee took the correct decision or not After the Mohun Bagan Bhratri Sangha match, the referee and linesmen had to leave the field under police protection because the Mohun Bagan supporters thought he had made a bad 10b out of it Similar was the case after the East Bengal Rajasthan encounter and even after the referee and the linesmen were brought into a police van which was there to take them back to their tent, the re teree could not be saved from the choicest of abuses The reason for all this was that he has shown the yellow card to Jamshid



The referee and linearitan leave the field under police protection after the Mohun Began-Biratri Sarigha match

name and fame is there, but that can be achieved after a long time and after undergoing the risks of conducting matches in the open fields. But what is done for their security? It has become a matter of daily occurrance on the Maidan today that

for intentionally hitting an opponent player even though the ball was not close by It's futile to expect that the referee should always be perfect After all, to err is human But 1sthis the manner in which they should be tre ated?

TAPAN D

opportunities Railway FC had earlier forced East Bengal to drop a point and thus it became all the more creditable for them

The two teams tool time to settle down and the first positive chance came Railway FC's way Ranjit Chat terjee had an open goal when Mohun Bagan custodian, Shivaji Banerjee had rushed out of his charge But in a hurry, Ranjit lobbed over The Rail way FC forwards kept the pressure and was a constant source of danger to the Mohun Bagan defence For Mohun Bagan, the easiest chance was missed by Xavier Pius who shot wide from close

In the dying minutes of the match, Subrata Bhattacharya moved up to help the forwards The plan was that he would head down the long lobs for the other front liners to score But the move came too late Coach Sankar Banerjee said 'Chances, whenever they came were wasted and we were held to a draw"

Sankar Sarkar, the RFC coach said "We had played against Mohun Bagan in the Federation Cup and they had scored the first goal in the 68th minute of the game That match helped us to assess the opponents well All the players were asked to individually assess his rival man and judge his own calibre and play accordingly They all fought hard and we were able to snatch a point from Mohun Bagan'



Fight for the possession of the ball between Manash Bhattacharya and a Sonali Sibir defender

MOHAMMEDAN S.C. Although the black and white shirts continued to keep their slate clean when they scored twice igainst this year's Senior I eague babes. Son all Shibir But there was nothing worthwhile to write about Performancewise it was more individualistic than team work. And

this became more evident when the vital midfield was in disarray Prasan ta found himself handicapped though Shibnath Barui tried his best to com pensate Both the medios just could not coordinate well with their for wards with the result that the wingers had to work on their own There was no combination today. The medios' performance was quite dissatisfying What was seen was that the forwards had too work on their own or should I say they played rather individually We got the better of our opponents and should have scored more as the Shibir boys were not accustomed to heavy ground conditions Kartick Seth missed too many chances" said Mohammedan S.C. coach Abdus Sattar

Even then the two goals that the home side netted came after the breather Their first half display was an inept one and quite frustrating, too To put it simply there was hardly any cohesion among the three depart ments. And worse was that there was no understanding between strikers Kartick and Shabbir When the latter passed the ball quite often, the former could not return properly and just dilly dallied in booting a first timer at goal Moreover the first goal they got was a suicidal one Shabbir essayed a grounder and before Manash Bhat tacharya could get to the ball, Sonali's defender Sadhan Ghosh tried to divert it clear from the box. But the ball deflected off his boot and went in Said coach Bibhuti Mazumdar Sadhan thought that Manash was chasing him So to keep the ball out of harm's way he tried desperately, but it was really unfortunate that it de flected off his boot into the net But I must say Sadhan played well Prob ably that goal disheartened the boys to a great extent though they continued to fight back Shabbir's goal was fan tastic The shot was in the nick of time



Surayit Sengupta being tackled by a Wari defender

Sportsworld Exclusive

Even chances

In an exclusive article, P K BANERJEE discusses the prospect of the Mohun Bagan-East Bengal match

A PECULIAR aspect of this year's League is that none of the three big teams have been able to produce the form which they normally do at this stage of the League They have already played half of the matches of the League and moreover they had the opportunity of playing in two tournaments before the League got underway

To the utter astonishment of the soccer fans these glamour teams who had provided tournament winning form in not too distant a past are now



Mihir Bose-can he maintain his form?

struggling against the smaller teams of the League. They are not at all finding it easy and are having to stretch their limbs to their utmost to keep their slate clean. It has also become the salient feature these days that every year a new tournament is cropping up and the teams are participating for some reason or the other leaving a great toll on the players' individual and collective ability. The change of weather, ground conditions and playing atmosphere gradually have an effect on the players who get fagged as the gruelling League matches progress.



in monotonous regularity

Though in the Federation Cup Mohun Bagan's vengeanceful perform ance in the later stage of the tourna ment decidingly put the age old team in a superior position as days are passing, Mohun Bagan Mohammedan Sporting and Fast Bengal are gradually coming to the same level making it difficult to make predictions about the outcome The competition is bound to be tougher as the players feel a pecul iar fever in these important matches This kind of experience they never come across when they play outside Calcutta where the crowd plays an important role in the whole drama They face a very special pressure which enables them either to rise to the occasion or slump drastically

Coming to the individual assessment of the players as far as the



Shekharan and Monoranjar Bhatta harya- a for midable pair of stoppers

goalkeeper's position is concerned Shivaji Banerjee has an edge over the young Dilip Paul and the inconsistent Biswajit Das Among the stoppers Monoranjan Bhattacharva and Shekharan are is formidable as Subrata Samar or the Subrita Sudip pair But Mohun Bagan's side backs Shavm al Banerjee and Compton Dutta especially with the form they have produced this season are definitely superior to the East Bengal combination of Premnath Philip and Thomas Mathew

Mohun Bagan has a tew worries in the midfield region. If Mihir Bose can strike the form he did in the Moham medan Sporting materiand Md. Habiti continues in the same way as he has been doing so far only then will

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Opportunism is the key to success

East Bengal coach SANTO MITRA tells SARAJIT DEB that scoring chances will come and whoever utilises them will win

OUR match with Mohammedan Sporting had to be called off due to ground conditions at the Fden Gardens. Our match with Mohun Bagan is also scheduled to be played there and I have some thing to say about the ground Throughout the world the playing field is in the north south direction but at the Eden Gardens it is east west. It has certain disadvan tages—the wind being the most important one Players are used to playing in one direction and they find it difficult to adjust to the new conditions.

It the match had been played, I would have been in a better position to talk about the Mohun Bagan Fast Bengal match But I have yet to play a big match and my final plain will only take shape after the Mbhammedan Sporting match Generally I can say, this match will be different because it is a very

prestigious affair A lot of factors are included in this match, because one can never say with conviction who will play well

The most important factor in that match is determination, cour age, fighting quality and will power The players who possess these qualities will come out successtul and the team that plays consistently will have an edge But the most important thing in such matches is that who ever avails of the opportunities will turn out to be victorious Chances are bound to come they must be utilised to the fullest with the minimum of mis takes The team that will commit less mistakes has a better chance because no one will allow his opponent to play freely

Mohun Bagan start with an advantage because they have beaten us at the Federation Cup

Mohun Bagan have a slight edge over the Amairaj Joseph Machado—Fareed combination The last two are playing their first season in Calcutta and if it rains, the Eden Gardens might turn out to be a quagmire for them. If by any chance the ground remains dry, the supremacy in the midfield region might go East Bengal's way If Gautam Sarkar is fit Mohun Bagan will once again call the tune in that region, like they had done in the Federation Cup If Samaresh (Pintu) Choudhury be comes a last minute inclusion he might try to tilt the balance for some time in favour of East Bengal which may not have a lasting impact on the 70 minute match

THF most dangerous weapon in the Federation Cup Ulganathan, who tore through the oopponent defence like a knife through butter has since then lost at will his sharp edge and his considerably dampened on the damp pitch His singular brilliance practically made all the difference in the prestigious tournament. If he can put out 50 of his Federation Cup form he along with Navier Pius who is slowly coming back to his elements can be very dangerous especially in the first half

Two young forwards Biswajit Bhat tacharya and Arup Dis have a lot to learn to pose a threat is serious threat to the Fist Bengal defence. But if Cautam Sarkar is fit and Mihir Bose plays as a striker along with Xavier



Tougher than Federation Cup

Mohun Bagan coach SANKAR BANERJEE tells SARAJIT DEB that his players will have to fight even harder than what they had done in the Federation Cup in order to get a favourable result

THE Mohun Bagan East Bengal match is, in more senses than one different A lot of factors must be considered for this match Most of the players are worked up and the general tension is very high This is especially so when the matches are held here in Calcutta In this season, we met twice in the double leg semi tinal of the Federa tion Cup While we had won in the first match by two goals to nil the

second outing ended blank
But things have changed since then Here the Last Bengal players will be tougher opponents because they are inspired a lot by their supporters who play a big part in a crucial match. Added to that we had won in the Lederation Cup which they will try to avenge

Now about the two teams I must say again that the strong point of my team is the defence. I hough the players have let in a few goals in the League matches I am confident that they will put up a stub boin front in this crucial match because they are very cautious in

big matches. My defence was under control in the Federation Cup semi final and had parried their attacks very well. As my stoppers are tall and skilful headers they should be able to beat the East Bengal for wards in the air Both my side backs are playing well this season, so the detence looks solid and these boys are capable of containing the Fast

Bengal attack

But I have several problems in the midfield. A lot depends on whether Gautam Sarkar is fit be fore the match. If he is back in the side it will ease off a lot of problems Then I can concentrate the game in the middle and can use Mihir Bose as a striker But it Gautam is unable to play Mihir will have to play as a half along with Md Habib The other linkmen in the side are just not getting into stride

In the forward line if my two wingers can function properly I can break their defence like the boys had done in the Federation Cup I am facing a great problem as

some or my prayers are seriously injured As a result, I'm left with no other alternative but to try a new combination everyday. In the defence, whoever is going in as re placement is not finding it difficult to adjust himself. But in the half line and the striker positions the problem is different. If I had a set team right from the start the pertormance would have been much better But that is my bad luck

About the East Bengal side much depends on two players Monorinjan Bhattacharya in de tence and Majid Basker in the attacking line. One of my strikers will have to constantly harass Monorangin so that the other remains free (I want the free man to be Navier Pius) I will not tell anyone to constantly keep a watch on Majid. He is a good player and always has a lot of free space. But the players to whom he will pass will have to be guarded very care fully

In the Federation Cup my play ers had fought hard and they were rewarded with a favour ible result For the coming match, they will have to fight harder to win. They must not let an opponent player go free with the ball Everybody must be aware of his duties and must do what he is assigned to do on the ground It is a very difficult match for us and all my 11 players will have to produce their best in order to cmerge victorious

Mihir Bose about to shoot a powerful left footer during the Federation Cup semi final with Premnath Philip

Pius it will be a different proposition Surajit Sengupta, if given room can still create a chance or two on his own But under tight circumstances, he has developed a peculiar tendency to shy away from rough and tough tackles And it can hardly be expected that in the big match he will be given enough free room. The other likely Mohun Bagan striker Francis D Souza is not at all physically and psychologically 100 fit to cope with the changed atmosphere that will prevail in that match

On the contrary the Fast Bengal forward line is spearheaded by the Iranian duo of Majid Basker and Jam shid Nassiri, who had produced their best in last year's Rovers Cup If they can reprodue their reserve fire power on that day with C D Francis running all over the ground it will definitely put the best defence line against the most penetrative forward line in their day It will indeed be a feast for the eve of the football hungry million of Calcutta

The chances are that the match might again turn out to be a draw If Mohun Bagan wants to win they will have to shed their lethergic approach and if Last Bengal have any intentions of winning this important tie they will have to play with vengeance About the result of the match your guess is as good as mine

Sportsworld Serial

The rise to fame

Exclusive extracts from the book 'Ian Botham The Great All-Rounder' by Dudley Doust The book is published by Cassell and priced at £6 95

BOTHAM played his first match for | Somerset First AI on September 2 1973 the same week that he finished his truning with the Lord's ground staff. The season was nearly overnothing was at stake. He was picked to play in the John Player League & ime a ignist Sus ex it Hove It was in unremarkable debut- lbw for two and 22 runs without a wicket in his bowling spell--except for a striking catch he took it deep backward square leg-The butsman went for a big hit didn't get hold of it ind skied it. I rin in dived full length and caught the ball just as I hit the ground. Botham recalls. It was to bid outch. It was a significant one to a in retrospect, the bitsmin wis Iony Greis, the man Both im one day was to succeed as the key ill rounder for Ingland Both im allo played the following Sundiv ig unst Surrey it the Ovil and here icam he gives us something to re-

Kathy "I didn't know Ian was a cricketer and he didn't tell me when I met him About all I can remember was that he was quiet and nice and he helped me find my car in the rain '

member him by his first toped is wicket. It we exceep bill tull to Botham remembers but I tripped him leg before wicket. The bitsmin was Gooff How urth the New Zeil indiplayer who would give him so much trouble in future. Est matches

The next cason 1974 was to use the word idvisedly a bumper veni for Both im. It was the summer he was blooded by Andy Roberts, coming to time in the quarter find Benson and Hedges he between Somerset and Hampshire on June 12 of Liunton Both im had played in only four first class fixtures that year and had little to show for it in innings of 26 and only a mer licker at the cost of 144 runs in 70 evers. Still, it very nearly the lat minute Close named him in the side for the crucial march. Hamp shire batted tirst and after flounder ing put up a passable total of 182 runs with Both im a tirst change bowler taking two stist ing wickers those of the great Bury Richards and Peter Sun bur and adding only 33 runs In reply. Somerset stumbled to 113 [

for seven when young Both im came in His partner Curtwright skied the next ball to deep mid on -out - and sent the huse home crowd into gloom Somerset 113 for eight with 70 runs needed off the remaining 15 overs Botham soon clubood a towering six over square leg and with Hillian Moscley pushing singles at the other end the score climbed to 131 when the dreided Roberts then the courge from Antique was again given the ball. An usly litter from Robert which Both im was shaping to hook soon shattered the youngster's back tecth dropping him like a sack of grain to the ground. I spat out blood ind a couple of broken teeth and the lads brought me a glass of water Both im was later to recall lucidly as in a slow motion film. I shook myself and telt time. As I look back on it. hitting me in the mouth was the worst thing Andy could have done. It seemed to relivine. It made me all the keener-The next bill he tried the obvious thing a vorker and I stood back and clipped it for three. The rest is his tory the last ball before the final over which was to be bowled by Robert was smashed by Both im to the bound ny to bring him his 45th run ind-Somerset an istonishing triumph over 1 Himpshire Botham was engulied b tan not for the list time and wonthe Gold Award. The nest morning England had a new cricketing here star was born. In has kept one of the newspaper headlines of the day It reads simply Blood Swelt ind Cheers

It also was the summer he met Kathryn Waller in the rain at Leices ter during the Benson and Hedges tie that followed the heroics at Taunton She was there with her sister down to see the family triend Close and his Somerset side. I didn't know I in was rericketer and he didn't tell me when I met him sho ree dls. About all I can remember was that he was quiet and nice and he helped me find my car in the rain. They dined that evening and although his celebrated jaw was still sore. I an was modest and made no allusion to at

Botham prospered under Close that summer although they sometimes were at loggerheads. Both being combustible characters, sparks flew. This happened for example, during a Cillette Cup match against Surrey that ummer at Taunton Botham was bowling. A ball was hit back down the wicket and he twisted to arab it. The

non-striking batsman unwisely went for a quick single and both batsmen finished at the far end All Botham needed to do was to walk to the stumps and lift off the bails. Instinctively though he wheeled round and threw the stumps down from some five yards Close blew up. He shouted it I in for being such a bloody tool. I'm shouted back Their inger echoed round the county ground. It was quite amus-ing. I an later recalled. We used to have our rows but it the end we d come out of the dre sit from and go into the bar and be the far t to bueach other a drink. That sawhs some people didn't get on with Closey. They would have a row tall cumbrate and ulk for a week whereas we would blow up and forset it. Cio ex did me a lot of good. A lot of my confidence come from Closey I've never cen him seited. In fact, I think he went over the top sometime, to proje hovbrive he will when he needn't have

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theless retained his secure place in the Somerset side in 1975, although his end of term report could have been better 584 First VI runs and 62

That autumn Botham did not re turn to his building site job in Yeovil He went north and living at Thorne in Yorkshire with his future in laws worked as a sales representative for Gerry Waller's firm Promuco makers stitus Travelling m a battered car the back loaded down with goods Ian covered an enormous area from Aber deen to Portsmouth. He never took no tor an inswer. Willer recalls a time v hen a Northampton music shop manager told I in he neither wanted any drumsticks nor had he ird of Promuco Well you've heard of us now

Botham replied Would you like my drumsticks? man resisted the Mike Brearley: "One minute he (Botham) would look a big whacker of the ball, not very cultured, and the next he would play this mature, controlled shot I didn't know what to make of him "

hard sell and Both im took a scathing look round the shop. To tell you the truth he said seeing this scrutts place I wouldn't sell anything to you invwive and walked out. Willer is still imu ed by the incident. I didn t know shether to hugh or fire him the recalls but the upshot was the next time I in went round the fellow bought the drumsticks

Both im bought in old cottage in nearby Epvorth and marrying Kuthiyn in January of 1976 they moved in and begin restoring it. In cricket 1976 will o to be a land mark year. In May buttark at number eight in a championship match at Hove he sa used Iony Creix and the other Su sex bowlers for 97 runs his highert score to date and by midsummer elevated to number four by captun Close he had hammered out his maden century on an amable batting strip it Trent Bridge. He scored 116 runs in boundaries, 6 sixes, and 20 fours before Somerser declared with Both in on 167 not out. What a cocky begger he was that day a recalls Derek Randall who himself scored in unbe iten 204 in the match. He opened up by pulling a ball for six. He went on to play one of the beat innings live ever een in my life

Both im flourished that summer for it but he was out from under the longhado of his ficient friendly rival in the Someret term. Viv. Richards. Richards was playing with the power ful We t Indies to im which were moulmi Inclind is incidentally Andy Robert took his 100th Test vicket to set a future target for the young all rounder at Somerset Both im played in in t Richards three times that season and he remembers vividly each of the encounters. He stopped Richards it 51 identity enight behind in the county match at Launton Best of all he triend vis there when Both implaced his first two representative appearance for England the first and third Prudential Trophy one day Lime. The firet was at Scarborough. Encland went in and Both im butting number seven didn't list long after scoring a ingle run he was out trying to hook a ball from Michael Holding The West Indies in reply to England's 202 runs were scon coa time dong comfortably with Richards scoring treely. When Viv reached his century. I went up to congrutulate him and he smalled at me. Man the said you go back there and bowl. I'm not playing for Sometset now. I'm playing for West Indies



News round-up

Ghaus Mohammed in distress

HYDERABAD It you say that I don't know who is Garry Sobers or Don Bradman, one will only I sugh at you because they are legends of the cricket world. Likewise it somebody asks you who is Ghaus Mohammed, the answer should be the same. The reason. Ghaus Mohammed brought us name and fame in the world of lawn tennis, reaching the quarter finals at Wimbledon, thus becoming the first Indian to achieve this feat. The other two Indians who emulated Ghaus Mohammed later, are Ram anath in Krishnan and Vijay Amriti ij

But where is the veter in today who saw his glorious days before the first World War? What is he really doing today? He is now on his death bed at a hospital suffering from tongue cancer

Is there invoods who can come to his rescue? Poor Moh immed sit units is pleading with the State Sport Council and other sports associations to come to his help. It is left to be seen how the State Government and other sports bodies respond.

Ghaus Mohammed was born in 1915 in the agricultural village of Malraba di, 15 miles from Lucknow

He become the national champion at the age of 21 and retrined the ritle for nine long years (1936-47). At his first attempt at the All Fingland Championship at Wimbledon in 1938, he survived till the last sixteen. In his second attempt the following year, he reached the last eight only to be climin ited by the ultimate winner Bobby Riggs. After that he took part in the French Open.

Then come the World Way and an end to Ghaus Mohammed anternational career as a player. However, he reigned supreme a the national chain pion till 1947.

Soon after his return from the Wimbledon he cot a job in the cist while Baroda State a revenue officer Lack of competition marriage and a dull job deteriorated his game. Although his was number one his performance was stagn int. In 1947, he led the Davis Cup to im and that was unfortunately his List ve it of real tennis.

After Independence he came to Hyderabad hi wife in iti e place and vais in such a due tin incral straits in 1949 that he was forced to ell all his trophies are uly 250 of them.

After coming to H deads add he joined Osmania University is chief sports organiser

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H**and**ball popular in MP

JABALPUR Handball a game hardly known in Madhy i Pradesh four vears ago, is one of the most exciting and today Recently, a record crowd of 10,000 spectators witnessed action packed matches in Indore's Abhiruchi Club All India Handball tourney in dazzling floodlit

In an exciting final Maharashtra defeated Andhra Pradesh 8 6 after the latter had notched up a 3 0 lead within ten minutes after resumption with Andhra's Ramakrishna scoring a hit trick. In a see saw tussle Maharashtra equalised 3 3 at hilf time and a couple of minutes before the final whistle Maharashtra broke through the Andhra detence at breath taking pace to score two quick goals to emerge champions.

It was this glorious uncertaints with both sides tilting the scale in their favour at any time that made handball a thrilling schure for the spectators. But the man who has made this neglected game more popular for the people of the State and particular is Indore is none other than Di. Prakash Kharate vice president. Handball Lederation of India and president MP Handball Association. It may be recalled that two years ago in the

lads at least reached the last four stage and team custodian Swapan Bhattacharya was adjudged the best goalkeeper For the second Asianhandball tourney in China last year, Indore's Deepak Mishia was included in the Indian team

Today there are as many as ten district associations in the State and Indore has conducted 15 tourneys dur ing the whole year, with eight clubs playing handball all the year round With meticulous precision and metho dical handling Dr Kharate has popula rised this game with hardly any pat rons because the publicity conscious atfluent people of the State did not find wide coverage for handball to attract them It was only when 10,000 spectators attended the all India tour nev here that this game found cover age in the State Press media Dr kha rate told Sportsworld I do not under stand why handhall should be consideted a minot game and given a step motherly treatment in India Though MP's Deepak Mishr's represented In dia in China the State Government did not think it worthwhile to give him the Vikiam Award and ridiculous though it might seem those who have never played for the nation were given the Viki im Award We came fifth in China when we were rather raw and that was quite encouraging. Now that the second national coaching camp going on at Hyder abad we are bound t do well in the 1982 Asiads. At least we stood somewhere in our first stint abroad but may I know that with all these years of playing experience where does tible tennis and even tootball stand in Asia? And yet when it comes to giving incentives and prom oting this game we are always shown a cold shoulder concluded Dr Kharate JIEET M JHANT v

Veterans take charge

NEW DFI HI Catch them young a most repeated clicke in Indian sport I weept for cricket most of the other 17 sports feder attons in Indian p is only lip service to the systematic promotion of sub-junior sport. All the grandiose schemes to this end such as training camps and tourn aments are marred by lack of consistent follow-up action inefficient organisation and blatant age manipulation which make the whole thing an exercise in futility. This is one of the primary reasons why lindian does not regularly produce competitors of international stature.

To remedy this inomaly the Tennis Players. Association of India. Delhi bit inch have launched a scheme worthy of emulation throughout the country. At the picture sque Talkatora gardens, the FP Alacently procured two newly made tennis courts from the Government. These are being used as coaching and practice centres for local tennis players. Creditably, however, the emphasis is entirely on coaching players in the under 10 age group and some talented adolescents in the under 14 group.



a well-alivertised tournament in various age groups was held recently. Though the first of its kind in the capital it received encouraging response. There were about 150 entries with over 35 for the first ever under 10 competition.

Another revolution irv aspect of this fournament was that it was organised and managed entirely by senior tennis players such as the ex Davis Cupper Shyam Minotra, the glamorous IPS officer and former State women such ampion Kiran Bedi, Baltam and Hanuman Singh

I alking to Sportsworld the grace ful Kir in Bedi enumerated the aims of the tournament and the Esociation

The main purpose of this tournament was to attract parents and youngsters to the game. The primary aim of our organisation is to properly nurture young talent through intensive coaching and regular match play practice in tournaments. Realising the amportance of encouraging young players we worked victorially to secure generous sponsorship, such as the

utility prizes, like bicycles and writing desks. We intend to conduct four more tournaments this year and intensify our training schedules in order to unearth potential champions.

The under 10 singles event wis won by Ashish Paul who beat Pawan 6.4.6.2 in the final. Both of them got bicycles as prizes. Ashish and Pawan to inted up to win the under 10 doubles event be iting Amit and Kennan in straight sets.

The find of the tournament however was the winner of the under 14 title. Samply Verma who according to the chief coach Balliam Singh has the strokes stamina and temperament of a potential champion.

The only 1 ictors going against the IPAI are that it is being run by a select coterie and the monthly fee is quite exorbitant—Rs 250 Yet at can hardly be doubted that the IPAI is doing a commendable job. Time will be the arbiter of the success of such ventures, but at le ist the will and effort are there.

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CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

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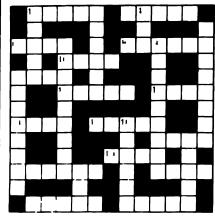
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- 4 Ashley Mallett He took 3.5" off 56 overs and 2.7" off 25 overs and his 43 was third top score in Australia's first innings to Bill Lawry \$ 135 and Lin Kedpath's 6
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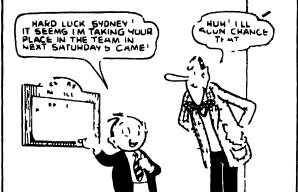
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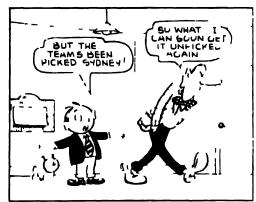
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Q How many batsmen have scored over 1 000 runs in a Test series so far? None

P Reddy Raichur and Sumon Chakravor Railirajhara M P

Please let me know B A Richards Test batting records A 4 Tests 7 innings 508 runs 140 highest score 72 57 aver catches and 1 wicket for 26 runs, in 72 overs

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Q Which cricketer from India has scored most runs in an over in a Test match? A B S Bedi (6 6 0 6 and 1 = 19) and B S Chandrasekhar (2) together hit 21 runs off one over from Peter Petherick of New Zealand at Kanpur in 1976 77 Deb and K Das Dumdum

Q Who has scored fastest double century | in a Test?

A D G Bradman of Australia has hit the fastest double century in Tests-in 214 minutes vs England at Leeds in 1930

Mohd Yunus Calcutta

Q is there any player who has taken a i wicket by the very first ball of his Test career?

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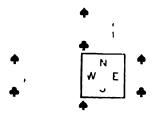
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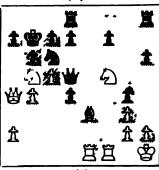
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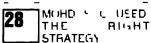


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Letters to the Editor

What now?

THIS is with reference to the recent poor perform ance of the Australian crick et team against Sri I ink i That the absence of even one or two players can weaken a team or even reduce it to a substandard unit is quite clear. This time the absence of Greg Chap pell and Dennis Lillee from the Australian te im is quite obvious What Asit Iqbil said at the end of the list India Pakistan series was that had Imran Khan not been absent from two Tests the result of the series would have been different We may again remember your remark on the Mel-Rodney bourne Test Hogg in harness with Pascoe and Lillee would never have allowed India to score more than 150 in the first in nings. More such example. can be given

The eldest amongst the Chappell brothers Ian idvised India to play with countries like Sri I ink i and Canada first before going to play with them. As they regard themselves for more superior than the Indians let me say that they too must start thinking of playing with those countries at least when Chappell and Lillee ire not wailable Then it least Hughes will not have to say that Sri Lanka cannot prepare Test wickets. Whit does Iin Chappell have to as DINABANDHU MODAK

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The opening ceremony started two hours late because the ground was not ready. The court was made of asphalt but after 10 mil nutes it became unplayable but we had to continue play mg the rule specifically say that the distance of the rine from the floor should l be 3.05 metres but we found that at one side it was 2.90 metres while on the other side it was 3.20 metre. Added to the there were no marking on the _round

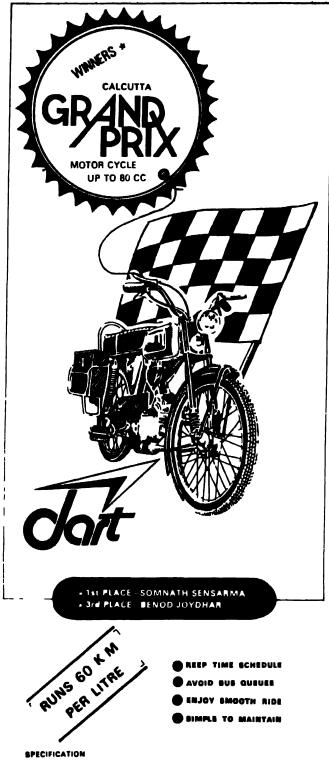
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B. MALLICK Cilciti

Fallures

THE Lourth Estate in our Leountry which obvious ly includes the sport mediaare convinced that successells more copies. Thus we see sports magazines brunming with success stories glimour profiles of the star names in the world of sports memorable down the Line matches and o on adinfinitum However one fuls to understand why the sports medical falls to delve into the other side of the com -tulures I im sure that fulure stories can also sell copies. People are increasingly appreciating the art of incompetence as borne out by the fact that tulure clubs 111 mushrooming in the West ind are doing rouring business for a start I would like to share with the read ers some of the more significant spectacular beroic and indomitable examples of failures in the world of sports

The worst boxer? The credit goes to Ralph Walton who was knocked in a meas ly 101 seconds in a bout at Lewiston Maine USA on September 29 1946 It hap pened when Al Coutre his opponent struck him while he was still adjusting hi gum shield in a corner' The



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A new look

PLEASE refer to a letter by Subhash Chander in the April 29 issue I am not much optimistic about his "brand new" Indian crick et team

First of all, the choice of Chetan Chauhan as cap tain must have raised a few eyebrows With due respect to Chauhan's capa bilities as a player, I would like to affirm that he is not the man for the captain's job And then, Sriniva san's performance down under did not merit an opener's berth for him Further, why Gavaskar in the number three spot? Many will agree with me that Sunny is still our best opening batsman Moreov er, Vengsarkar is good enough as one down bats man Vishwanath, I agree, is over the hill But then, where is the replacement for him? So long as we are unable to find a proper replacement for Vishy I think he should be re tained in the team to bat at number four At num ber five we have Sandip Patil, followed by Madan Lal at number six Kirti Azad 15 vet to mature as a Test cricketer and the selectors would do well to keep him amongst the re serves Kirmani, of course, will be there as our wicket keeper batsman at num ber seven followed by Kapıl Dev at number eight Rakesh Shukla's in clusion in the team will be 3 joke, to say the least The most glaring omission in Mr Subhash Chander's team is that of Karsan Ghavri who, I feel, is indis pensable for the team So we have Ghavri at number mne The inclusion of two left arm spinners is unwar ranted while Yadav's ex clusion will be foolish

we have Shivlal Yadav to be followed by either Doshi or Shastri at number 11 The choice of course, should fall on Doshi if er perience counts as a factor

As regards the 12th man, we should have someone who can enter the team as and when re quired And this privilege. I feel, should exclusively belong to Kirti Azad who has already had a taste of big cricket As for the re serves, I see no exigency of keeping two pacemen under that category Sunil Valson should be there But why Yograj Singh? He was not much of a success during the twin tour of Au stralia and New Zealand And I suppose you have got to attain a certain stan dard (which, I am sure, Yograj has not) before you can find your name even amongst the reserves of the national side A better man would be Ravi Shastri who can step into the shoes of Doshi easily enough So, my team ultimately would be the tol lowing Chetan Chauhan, Sunil Gavaskar (captain) Dilip Vengsarkar (vice captain), G R Vish wanath Sandip Patil Madan Lal, Kırmanı (wick et keeper) Kapil Dev Karsan Ghavri, Shivlal Yadav Dilip Doshi 12th man Kirti Azad Reserves Surinder Khanna Sunil Valson Ravi Shastri

A word about Vengsarkar's choice as vice captain Now that Vengsarkar has safely entrenched his place in the Indian cricket team, he is fit enough to take over the reins from Gavalkar in future Therefore he should be entrusted with the responsibility of being a

sponsibility of being a vice captain

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worst boxing debut? In February 1977 Harvey Gartley became the first boxer to knock himself out after 47 seconds of the first round of his first fight be fore either boxer had land ed a punch

Therefore, at number 10

Fo soccer then The smal lest soccer crowd was one of 13 in a great game between Leicester City and Stock port County on May 7 1921 The worst save? The honour falls to Senhor Isadore Iran

dir custodian of the crack Brazilian outfit Rio Preto who let in a goal after three seconds. It happened as Roberto Rivelino of Corm thians (the opponents) in leashed a left footer from the half line direct after the kick off. The ball went past Irandir as he was finishing his pre match prayers on his knees.

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The Sporting Life

Ben Templetin and Tor Ferman

MARATHON LESSON

London And now there s an Adult Education Class investigat ing the possibility of an evening course in marathon running Learning to run can be fun

DOUBLE TROUBLE

New York Well the publishers have certainly said it The flyleaf of Billie Jean Kings latest book Play Better Tennis informs readers it's suitable for both men and women and there's a strong emphasis on doubles (not necessarily mixed) as the game most people play

SPORTS QUOTE?

Madras In India these days according to Acharya Kripalani the game of politics is played as if there were no constitution laws rules regulations no healthy conventions and no umpires and referees Could the old sport perchance have been talking of other games as well?

FORE CAST OF SPORT Leeds The success of a new alternative to plaster of Paris may do more than bring about a revolution in limb setting for sportsmen. It may well revolutionise sport. The new material alled Baycast wrapped around a limb hardens very rapidly is lighter and more durable than the conventional plaster cast Doctors say it's useful in emergencies encouraging early rehabilitation and may soon be used as a protection for any part of the body a player may wish to protect. As such one can almost visualize Gavaskar as the Indian Baycast Man plaster and all

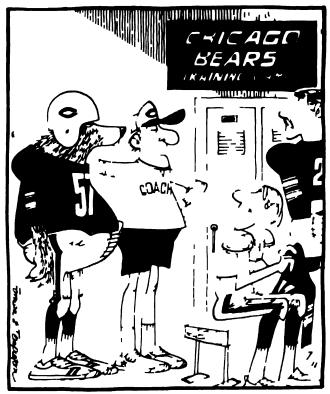
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"FELLAS EVERY ONCE N A WHILE A YOUNG PLAYER COMES ALONG WHO FITS PERFECTLY INTO OUR FRANCHISE

Shadow boxers reign supreme

GEORGE K GEORGE in New York

IT took only 54 seconds of the night of May 11 to de troy the seed link between the meat alimorous errort boxing and its miserable pre-ent. Cerry Cooney a 24 carold New Yorker embodied the generation of hidow boxers who reasts upreated of and Ken Norton was the aid imbol of the

glorious Seventies

Norton was kno a dancon ciou in the very first round. In the Instiplice he had no burne to be there it the age of 41. He should have had the dignity and courage to star in a time ment especiall after has happened it Alis lise comeback bid thou and a of empty ear at Nev York. Made on Square Carden proclume Liberratul do entill of he me a Norton was being taken out uncon close

The Carden also a mother unali-rious exit a few week earlier. It is a none other than the greatest Muhama mid Ali him elt. Ali va there to announce his retirement, not us in Even after the detear by Helme he had fluted with the idea of taking on John Guidner the British champion but the reaction from Er tish boxing otticials made him change his mind and he had innounced his retirement.

In the meantime the proportion i

company which uses his name had set up i big boxing event at the Garden lining up Norton Cooney Thomas Hearns and Wilfred Benitez Then sud dealy news came about the 17 million dollar swindle of Wells Largo Bank by the head of Muhammad Ali Profession d Sports. Harold Smith to whom Ali had sold his name went underground When he infaced it was found that his real name was Ross Field wanted on several counts of bank frauds and passport fraud

All appeared at the Garden to said. the fight card. But it was too late. For a while he even thought of supporting the compan in the absence of Field Bur i the LBI probe become more intense. All realized the danger. In a itally he had enjoyed the publicit about the Alisean candal This II make my next movie even bikeet. The a had and But that evening Ali sat at realizate at was all over. The underthe table deals between Harold Smith had ended his boxing career both a refighter and probably even a all prospective promoter. The tales of Ken Norton and Muhammad Ali tella the real story of boxing today

Boxing had class in the day of Jee 11





Tours Rock Marcinio May baci Ital the Pre-S conference at the Carden | was in exerting port in the better d i of Certae Lorm in and Die Frank

Muhammad Alamadear hoxbu i ne s in the talle to encot the sord He also made it one of the most 1 lucrative industries. He vais a vonder tul which too

The decline begin with the decline por Ali In fact it became in the final round of the brisk it Minils where suddenly Ali and Frince betraved their ise From then on it is down to the hill for Alt and for bosins

Altered on his onlyby take a mar bodie like Inok Then or entident ind unprepared he let to an un known I con Soink hi vi in imitem for ill practical purposi then Ali retired Gerrie Coet ce mother unknown best Spinks and from nowhere John Tite appeared on the cene to take the WBA portion of the world title

The WBC had taken the other halt of the title and be t from Spink and had be towed it on ben Norton who in turn sot beaten by Larry Holne

In larry there we exagne resemble ence of a champion. For a little while he seemed like a replica of Ali But he lacked the class of Ali or the character of Joe Louis By an unusually long stroke of luck I arry Holmes became the undisputed champion of the world

Undisputed he is and that is the biggest nony of it all. His track record is impressive and dismal at the ame time. His statistical record is very impressive but he just has to fight a great fight vet

A virtually unknown Mike Weaver

almost beat him Then the old and bald Ernie Shavers exposed all the weaknesses and made him look pathe tic at Las Vegas Both times Larry escaped by inches. Then Ali sold him. self this time his body to add to his opponent's fame and fortune

The night Joe Louis died Lirry Holmes was stretched by another un known youngster Trevor Berbick of Canada Cynics say that Joe could not take it anymore. He just quit the only way he could Roberto Duran added another dimension to the business

with his stomach cramps

Then the Norton suicide it the Garden Kenny a fine gentleman should have taken the clue from George Forman and turned to Cod or elsewhere But the temptation of the mammon was too much for Ken

That is where boxing is in 1981 Soon Mike We i er will dets the WBA and fight Gerry Cooney to grab three million dollars Sugar Ric Leonard will take on Thoma. He cans in the welterweight division. Dur in 1 gct ting ready to come back and Don Kimthe master crook a said to be willing to take him under his wings.

The public is slowly realisms, what is happening. The limited ril nts in the field are engaged in had a loss ing The WBA and WBC tend rive tine cover. The prometer time up their fighter again the retied hampion. journeymen a tocal anabova. Tacket pries ne exorbit into lew lent one covered by National Television, IV coverage a done to local new which is an in electrophic to be a find televi ion technolo-

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Amongst the ghoat of the part and a the unterted champion of today there are a couple of talented young 1 fighters who could restore the dignit-

and thrill of boxing

They are Gerry Cooney and Creg-Page Even before he took over Ken Norton Gerry Coone ha been public cised as the No. 1 contender for the WBA and WBC table

Everyone wints to hight Certy as he is the only leading white heavyweight who has the beat box office drawing power today I my Holmes calls him the Creat White Dope Cooney hates the racial chements injected into boxing. But the fact is that he is a hot propert today. mainly because of his white skin Otherwise he had to wait around a lot longer to secure the No. 1 contender

After the Norton bout experts who had entertained doubts about l



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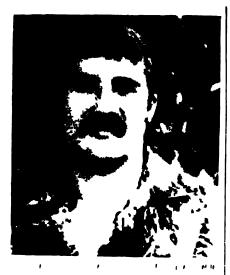
Cooney's skills, conceded that he had the best left hook ever seen in the rms, they still rate Joe Louis Mar crino Back Lorman and Liston is the be t power punchers of all time. The ime men feel that Cooney could rise up to the level of Marciano or even lubtly higher. But they do not think he could ever be as destructive as the

Coone's Lither introduced him to boxing He died five our ago indsince then it has been Cerry imbition to win the world title for hitather. He is perhaps the most discr plined contender around and a bound to we at the belt some day. It could be recurbs is the end of 1981.

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According to the test other expert Creg Pare a 22 ven old 6 foot 2 (incher from Louisville Kentucky is a the most tilented chillenger around a He freim of fellowing the footsteps ; et Ali ill the wiy. Hi style i sermuch like Alt. He dince like i butterfly per like Ali He has a remarkable reach and a very fluid and ule on his teet

Cree was an excellent basketball player in high school and his ambition then was to be a basketball star-



Instead he became a boxer. His amateur career ha been impressive in spite of two los es to I his I ite and one to Michael Doke - mother young challenger

Though he is in Mr in style he look more like I ur. Holmes physi-cilly He ha in two ome physique but has a tendency to ann weight Right no s he i 25 pounds In the past at has gone up to 270. There are doubt about he dedication. He seems to have matured a lot since la clicbru. iry ind the death of his father in May ha made him all the more determined to go for the title Gerry Cooney feels that Grego defence is weak but like Cerry he has not encountered any major opponent yet to display his deten me skill

Close on their heel a mother 22 veir old from Florida Michael Doke a manch tiller than lake ind werehs 217 pound. The curly long hair and clumes rand in the runs do not make him look or appealing His promoters nicknamed ham. Dynamite. but the kid is to from it Still he has good peed and reflexe and he is the more hard working of the leading contenders kight no hear the No 3 contender a ording t WBC ratings Page is N 1

Don bur on Cul i Michael minage. That i be me Don king cannot put he name down e manager because it is not permis able for premoters kink patronage vallaget him some but match ups in future. He scems to be more hungry for the title than anvone clse

Ther there are a tex other like Pinklon Home (2) Jame Jilli (2) Greg Chaplan (30) Floyd Cuminia (30) Lynn Ball(28) Marty Monroe (27) and William Shanon (28)

The next generation is headed by Marvis I razier, the only son of Smokey Joe Trazier and Jony Libb who knocked Maryi unconscious in the semi finals of U.S. Ol imposs la tyear

Lary Holmes as he will retire in 1952 He want to accumulate is much money as he can in the meantime and retire undefeated. He names Page is his heir apparent. But between them stands the left hook of Gerry Cooney

Waste of talent

DR UDAYAN SEN

Will N we talk about the perform ance of sportsmen in a country like India we are always told that they cannot tare well in international meets because the majority of the population a poor It is also lamented that our training programmes lag far behind the international standard and our portsmen are deprived of nutritious food But uch milidies in the product of panorance and callousness on the part of those who govern and administer our country. Doe one get the idea by looking at our Test cricke ters and renovated footballers, that they suffer from under nourishment? This is a debatable question

There can be no permanent solution to these problems and Indian sports can never reach international standards unles children in our country are drawn to sport from an early age in an organised systematic and cientific manner. There is no magic pill to produce re ord breaking athletes All children in the world are born with equal potentiality. It is it the publity use that the difference between the outstanding and the im diocie, portsmen begins to develop. There onwards the coaches in association with the sports physicians play in important role

Rainer Bouhot who has repre-ented the German National side on 53

occasions, is at present the Captain of FC Cologne He, who is considered today the best linkman of his country, joined the nursery team of his club in his home town SUS Emmerich at the age of 11 There he was trained under a coach for three days a week-one hour each session From the age of 12, he was trained four days a week for 75 minutes each day. From the age of 14 he was trained for 90 minutes a day the number of training days remaining the same. The number of days of his truining increased to five days a week from the age of 16 onwards, the train ing schedule remaining the same. In 1969 the renowned coach Hennes Weisweiler took him to Borussia Monchengladbach where Guenter Netzer and Jupp Heynckes were playing (Guenter Netzer is at present the Man iger of Himburger SV and Jupp Heynekes i the coach of Borussia Monchengladbach) Here the new coach changed his position from centre forward to linkman. As a linkman. he became internitionally famous dur ing the 1974 World Cup

Weisweiler who now coaches Cosmos New York put great emphasis on the improvement of the technical abilits physical fitness and stamina of Bonhot In Monchengladbach he took training for six days a week. In the first phase of his training the coach Weisweiler liid emphasis on endurince expacits which involves strain on the muscles and circulatory system of the body. At this phase the acrobic cipicity of the sportsman gets in creased During the second phase of his training he gave even more attention to the inicrobic capacity of the body. Here the emph isis is laid more on speed short distance runs sprints and short intensive exercises. At this point the pulse rate can rise ranging from 180 to 200 per minute. They start with an endurance training and follow it up with a spurt. The training plan of l a week is somewhat like a graphical wave length They practise once on Monday, twice on Tuesday and Wednesday On Friday they play a match and practise once on Saturday and Sunday The training starts with a warm up at 9 am and continues for 20 minutes tollowed by gymnastics and weight training for half an hour They practise for 30 minutes with the ball and after a rest of quarter of an hour they resume playing a game for another half an hour At 12 noon they depart for lunch and assemble again at 3 30 pm Then they do mostly long distance running to improve stamina and also at times cross country run till 5 30 pm. They assemble for dinner at 7 pm Such is the kind of training which a professional football team receives throughout the day. According to Jupp Derwall the German National coach Bonhof is one of the principal assets of the national side He is one of the players who can time indigin turn detence into attack 4

Every professional footballer is looked after by the sports physician of the club. It is also the duty of the sports physici in to examine the condition of the health of the sportsmen during the trainings which are often held under strenuous conditions. It is also the task of a sports doctor to help the coach and sportsmen in determin ing an optimum training programme For judging the physical efficiency of a sportsman the measurement of Lict të level in blood and ergometer test. at regular intervals are of great import ince

The heart and the circulatory sys tem are very important for an assess. ment of physical efficiency and the determination of an ideal training plan These medical tests are done usually every three months. The young portsmen should have a sound know ledge of the important stages of growth and development of the human

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body and also of the power to with stand a training. Through ergometer test we can measure the endurance capacity of a sportsman. When lact ite in blood reaches a certain level, the rerobic inacrobic transition takes place from the scrobic inscrobic transition we can judge the physical endurance capacity and plan our tuture training programme. Aerobic is the energy produced with oxygen and an icrobic without oxygen. Ir uned athletes are able to increase the consumption of oxygen of their muscles to a greater degree than untrained individuals. They have a capacity for great ter exertion without inco asing their lactate level in blood. Provided with a high calory dict by their clubs the tootballers usually consume 4 000 4 500 calories per day. A rich carbohy drate diet has been said to more isc the physical efficiency of a sportsman to a significant extent as compared a high fit diet. The results have shown that frequent small meals improve overall physical performance more than few luge meals. That is why a pattern of tive meals a day is prefer red by sportsmen. The replacement of salt and water lost from the body is of utmost importance in warm countries like India. This can be ichieved by consuming salts dish at least three hours before the competition, and drinking truit juice and soft drinks containing glucose sugar vitamins ascorbic acids ind citric icids fic quently during the contest helps im prove the physical performance of the players. Tea and coffee should be avoided before and during a contest because although they may have in immediate stimulating effect they might produce a depressing clicit three or four hours later thus impair

ing physical performance

Compton Dutta, the right back of Mohun Bagan club started playing tootball when he was seven but it was at the age of 16 that he came under the tutelage of a coach. At that time he joined Southern Sports Association

where he received the coaching of a Khokan Basu Mullick. He played in the Senior Division League in 1973 for Kalighat Club. In 1975 he switched over to Mohun Bagan Club. I ver since his childhood at has been one of his carnest desires to play as right back like his two elder brothers. During the sear of training under Khokan Basu Mullick he was advised to play as stopper which was considered to be his ideal position. Loday he plays right back for Mohun Bagan as hoteam needs him to do so.

In Southern Sports Association he, trained himself for four to five hours a dividithough his teammates were trained only two to two and a half hours Liter in Kalighat Club he truned him elt for six days a week ctwo and a half to three hours a day). During his training period in these two clifbs he never had conditional training not did he have any gymn istics or weight truning. At present in the Mohun Bug in Club, there is the provision for conditional and weight train ing which is however quite irregular They also have a surgeon who investigites the sports injurie. Unfortunite I no club to Calmaria no club in Cilcutta has a physician to look after the physical fitness of the players Amassagist is however there to prepare the players before game Compton Dutta who works for the Geological Survey of India takes a rich calory diet everyday including tish eggs milk and truits

It emerge from the comparative study of these two sportsmen that Rainer Bonhof began his training at 11 while Compton Dutta stated at the age of 16. Thus there is a viral difference of five most formative years from the point of view of growth the loss of which Compton Dutta can never make up in his life. This appears to be the biggest disadvantage under which our sportsmen have to struggle. Compton Dutta says that the medical check ups like ergometer tests and lactate were done only in Patiala when he represented the national team.

has attended other camps in Delhi and Bangalore but there was no medical check ups. Such medical tests should be carried out at an early age. But unfortunately in our country we seem not take note of a sportsman usually on the eve of selection in the national team. This system is ridiculous and cannot yield any important result whatsoever. However, it is possible, only through regular medical check ups to make an objective assessment of the improvement of the performance of the players.

One more thing which should not be lost sight of is that while Compton Dutta who works for CSI cannot give tull devotion to tootball Runer Bonhot on the other hand is a profession il who does even spend his whole d is on football. I trongly believe that professionalism is a must in the football of our country if we want to reach international standards. The Indian soccer term mainly consist of the players from Bengal and that too from the Big Three to import alcutta. There is good football only when the Three Big teams play each other, but that is not enough for building up a strong soccer team for India For a football player gymnastics, weight training and conditional training are essential at an early age since they increase the flex ibility of the body develop muscle power and endurance capacity

One often hears a complaint that our sportsmen do not get afficient tood and that our climate a not conducive to superior sportsmanship. I consider this argument illogical. In a subtropical country like ours 100 gm of protein per day are quite sufficient to sustain a sportsman. As for climate Iran and the two Koreas lead Asia in football and are just as hot as India. Therefore petty questions of food and climate are merely excuses for our continuous dismal performances in various international competitions and tournaments.

Adventure sports: A perfect tonic

MARIO CABRAL E SA

DVENLURE sports are coming to AWEST Coast India slowly but sure ly Surfing and sailing are included in the plans of hoteliers in Goa. Bombay and Kovalam Rather sadly gliding, once a promising modality in Pune is

in a bad shape

In a manner of speaking it is rither strange that the sea as a potential ource of human pleasure is being discovered only now the casa de terreiro espeto de pau said the Portuguese (me ining, that at the irons mith's home the skewers are of wood) And that probably is why with- and despite- i gorgeous coast line of 150 km only one in every thousand Goins tikes to acquatic sports

By the time the Portuguese finally settled in Goal at nightfall of a winter div- November 25, 1510-they were tired and sick of sail boats and the sea cit took them at times six months to make it to or from Lisbon) and even of nicimilds (which they vouched in verse existed in the Indian Ocean)

Cock tight were the only sport they eem to have relished and promptly they set up a field in the cipital city of Old Coa where now stands the Baalica of Bom Jesus Women shricked is they witched the cock imported from Padua tear cach

other to pieces

Almost five hundred years liter idyenture, ports such as surfing and ailing are being introduced in Goal A in every such effort there are many who claim that they are the pioneers Fort Aguida Beach Resort of the In Croup and Bogmalo Beach Re orr of the Oberois seem to have I und in the controversy a new and titill iting punch line to the inventive ne of their promotional efforts-and one printely accuses the other of a kind of plagrarism. Mercitully, the seafround Go's and the coastline are ample enough to accommodate all the urters and sailors which either of, or both the luxury hotels may eventually lure to Got with all their aggressive publicit

As in Hawaii the place where wind surfus, originated adventure sports like uling surfus, and sea exploration vere to begin with boredom At the outbreak of World War II one Italian and three German ships (The plot of The Ser Wolves) sought is slum in Got at the Marmagoa port The bored sailors of those ships were I

actually the first to sail (in dugout canoes) surt (on handmade boards) dive without oxygen masks and explore Goa. So much so after every major outfit in the country had tried and tailed to salvage the wreckage of the 1215 ships (after they had been boarded and scuttled by Calcutta Light Horse Commandos) a tormer German sailor cone of the few who decided to settle in Goal Karl Brief koff did it with his bare hands almost (Poor Karl he died the other day in Nasco da Gama atter a grim struggle against lung cancers



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Seek not the origins of saints and rivers counsels a wise proverb for you may run into a lot of muck. And seck not the destination of wind surfers! Goa Customs eve the tribe with extreme suspicion. A few ve irs igo two burly Germans wanted by Interpol wind suited to satety, while they were on bail in Goa

Historically windsurting was pertected by an American Hoyle Schweit zer from California It is a simple sport really A centre board of any light and resilient material (like fib reglass, foam or good wood) powered by a sail is what a wind surfer basical ly is The sail should pivot 180

In India, John Lucas - who is he ask Oberoi executives—a Britisher be gan on Baga beach at the Filomena Cottage and tied himself up with the Taj Group He launched a company—a "consultancy, he says—called Wind surfer India' and scems to be doing well for himself Lucas in collaboration with Alan McVic of the seventh ranking wind surfer in England as the company claim) has produced the 'Monsoon the prototype of the seven they have so far produced and priced at Rs 7500 Oberois Figur Goa and Holiday Inn in Bombay have acquired some boards, according to I ucas, but Oberois deny their pation ige Going by gossip Parameshwar Godier the stunningly be jutiful wife of refrigery tor minufacturer Adi Codrej i i wind surfing butt--ind she is sure to take this novel sport as far is it can go All the way

Oberois in fact claim that their wind suiting special board are im-ported and cipable of achieving air ing speeds up to 24 knots. Equipment, i hired to fuests and the hotel ha coaches for beginner. The operation of and commissioning to quote the hotels brochure tegin on Bosmido t ich appradi i ic settini ju t below the Dabolim Airport in Goa in October 1980. The idded teach a that Oberon in tructor control village, boy appropriately trained for the f purpose and the brend of ephition and custicity all it more inpurvision of ploriou. Commenmenths Rom urつ holid ivs

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The story of gliding in Western India makes eadder reading Gliding originated in Pune. It then took off to the North where Ravi I indon secont sad and tragic crash notwithst inding

it is doing well

At Wasserkuppe, sixty years ago, is where gliding first began Earlier, a Berliner Otto Lilienthal had tried to fly in a wooden contraption and crashed to death in 1896. Then came World War I the resultant German defeat and the Treaty of Versailles to regulate the ensuing peace—and what tollowed was severe restriction on the Germans.

The Germans were not allowed to use powered aircraft and thus the total ban activated the spirit of idventure of the gliders. Fortunately for them, and for gliding the Allies thought that gliding was from a military point of view annocuous and from a practical point of view rather suicidal, and hence in the context of the prevailing geopolities, via perhaps a thing to be encouraged. Rather sadistic but that was that Had not I then that peri hed in his flying machines yould other het iwis with it. A good question never inswered.

the history of gliding in India is more recent. In 1954, the Government of India took over the Indian Gliding A sociation for etime three centres vere run it Punc Bingilore ind Lucknow Plans were afoot to start 14 nescentre. There is only one Govern ment Centre now it Pune And it apparently has no edived into near nactivit. The Centre has been accumularing to e of the order of Rs eight likh per innum yhen it ought to have been a somecost revenue. alidin being uch in ittractive and the open Programmer to the other form of port

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At precent the Prine Centre logs only 50 launches per day. At the peak of the ceonsites in assumum of 100 take off. That a from April 15 till the end of the menth, when climatic conditions such a thermal six ideal for the port.

On 800 900 Lunches per month and 150 170 hours per month the Centre cannot obviously justify its pretentions to being the country largest and best. Depressingly it has only 50 active members. It is time therefore gliding enthusia its and the Covernment of India took a close look at the Pune Centre. With 250 acre. of land ovalable and presently lying unutil red the Centre could in fact be developed into a major tourist sport with a hotel, a couple of rest jurints and a symming good.

and a swimming pool

While in the West the gliding boom
has led to the sprouting of gliding
clubs in the backyard,' in Pune it is a
sad story of worsening doldrums



according to a gliding buff. Perhaps. because of its continuity to the Lohe Gio (military) Airport Security tends to be cumbersome and stitt A fore igner wishing to join the Centre, or use its facilities has to fill in forms, which is bad enough, and wait for clearance often knough, for two months or more Only the most influential succeed in getting the clearance within a month Even then who but a tool would cool his heels for that long when the facil ity is easily available to him anywhere in his own country? Another aspect is that a discriminatory rate of Rs 27 per takeoff has been fixed in the case of toreigners against Rs 4 for Indians

There can be ten sights as heart breaking as a kite with a wounded

wing Or eglider sitting imong ere ing cows for want of young men with the required spirit — is in Pune

But the Kirloskar who run the Blue Diamond Hotel in Pune ind Pearl in Kolhapur ind who hive plans to branch out further in the hotel and holidis industry told methat they certuinly will try to pumpnew life into gliding

If and when they do it the West Coast will have the entire range of adventure sports—surfing and sailing in Goastrekking to the Ghats in Puncand fly to Bombay—make some quick money for that is what one needs most for these sports and start all over again glide in Puncand explore ship wrecks in Goa

A conspiracy was hatched against me

BISHAN SINGH BEDI tells KR WADHWANEY in an exclusive interview

BISHAN SINGH BIDI considered the finest exponent of left hand spin bowling in the world is a sid and disillusioned min. He has reasons to feel so. He is sad not because he has retired from the first class Indian cricket scene after about two decades astounding success. He cannot accept the fact that he was axed from Test cricket when he had plenty of guile left in his bowling through the sweep of a player colleague captain called Smill Giraskar who allegedly tules the Board of Control for Cricket in India and towers over a five member selection committee headed by Polly Umrigar

When George Hirst was once left out from the England side at was said that on the following Sunday there ascended from every pulpit in York shire the fervent prayer that the Ford would remove sealle from the ever of the selectors and the ermons were based on the story of the man who was blind and wa made to see says Norman Birkett

This was the feeling among cricket lovers in India when Bedi atter a 16 450nably successful tour of England (1979) where he grabbed the max imum wickets (33 for 947 average 25 65) was on return meted out scant and shabby treatment by the selection committee which was once again dominated by Gavaskar who was reappointed captain Bedi would not have made it to lingland had Gavas kar--who had harassed and humili ated him in the three Tests that he played against the West Indies in 1979 by giving him tiny spells from unsuit able ends-continued as skipper in stead of Venkat irightivan. This was a well planned strategy against a gentle man cricketer who named his son Gavasinder about a decade ago when young Gayaskar was on his first tour of West Indies in 1971

When isked about the reisons ind-

who were responsible for his exit, Bedi while relaxing in his B6 Kailash Apartment house said. I do not know myself why this conspiracy was hatched against me when I had served the team, the cause of cricket and cricket itself devotedly and sincerely. But let me tell you to set the record right said Bedi even if it may sound a little immodest of me. I was still the best bowlet particularly from the view point of experience and skill and certainly deserved a better deal than I was dished out.

The critic of he is to be worth anything must wear the garb of neutrality with objectivity as his imm and inpartiality his target. I therefore have to write—not without regret—that had Bedi been from Bombas or Western India he would have continued for another couple of seasons and would have in all probability claimed the remaining 44 wickets to overhaul the existing world record of

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While Tennyson was unquestion this injudictions and rash in his observation it should be admitted that

Civiskii a little man with in exignerated ego and concert chose to stab Bedi in the back as he tel extemels uncomfortable in the company of senior players, like Bedraind Venkit it ights in on the ground and of it While seniors have been sum marily sacked. Cay isk it has promoted e men like Yoge ij Singh and Ravi She til to form the to im. There is no instance in Test history when a substitute has been called for a player (Dilip Doshio side lined through injury from a solitary lear life in open secret that Shastii vas asked by Cavaskai to stay in readiness for the Australia and New Zeil ind tour. It is also an e-tablished fact that it was Gayaskar, and not the minimizer Wing Comminder 5 A K Durrim who trunk called Mr S K Winkhedciche was presiding over the World Cup Hockey Tournament meet me it Lip to send Shistri to New Zeal and The protocol demanded Durrun to initiate communication with the chairman of the selection commillee

In foreign countries national sportsmen are honoured and respected But in this country national and international sportsmen of the cilibre titure dedication and self lessness of Bediate insulted and throttled through utter non-entities who have taken control and management of sports and games

There was a time when Bombas's handful of cricketers who formed

them else into a well-oiled chaue used to drop catche of bowlers not belonging to their region. Ghulam Ahmed a fine off pinner was a victim of this ordid game of player politics and he was virtually compelled to relinguish his crickete green including captaines prematurely in those days and in the pre-Independence days there we needle emphies on individualism and groupism. That is why the team seldom tought well despite the presence of uch greats as Col C K Navudu Mohd Nissar Amar Singh Vijay Merchant Vijay Hazare Vinoo Mankad Subash Cupte and Vigas Minuekar Itshould hove er besad here - though I cam to be digresing-that had the ciplayers got half is many chances as the present crop of player who play 12 or more less in a ven they would have remained immortal record holders.

Irophy player of Sind was refused admission by many gymkhana and clubs when he marated to Bombay in 1947. He loved cricket and chose to join St Xavier's College to proce his prowess which was then not recognised by Bombayates who talk write and drink about their region. There are in Bombas, I am only to say crucketers who consider India part of Bombay. With this environment and atmosphere. Rainch and battled hard to get among the wickets and runs and forced his way into the university.



Bishan Singh Bedi s complete first class cricket career record—from 1961 62 to 1980 81

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him in the 22 of the 67 Tests that he
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De on think in very dropped from the Combine ouse ou called a pid i pidem e poma levej. I a ked ledi. What a the doubt about it he replied. Hid I remained non-committal. I voild not have been pronoch a top mother treatment b the North impton hire County shi li had i ared me all a tev days before I left I nal ind that I could play is long a Lacked But let me be trink with you and tell outthat I have had no regret for losing the contract. mone and benefit match which I would have uned it I had played mother couple of season, there Patriotism is more important than individual ucce is I im of the firm belief that the hip is are iter than the crev Bedi declined. What has however prized me a great deal is that the Inclish team should have | gone scot free 'bemoaned Bedi 'In stead of reporting in detail to the MCC about the shoddy practices of the England team the Indian authorities were just docile as if they were guilty themselves observed Bedi

Called a master of flight and spin Bedi who looped the bill towards the bitsmin and spun it iwis from him with uncanny accuracy naturally ran into trouble in Pikistan as would have hippened to involve a spain. It wis the most ill idvised tour as India hid had a gruelling time against Austrilia and West Indies or tiler. But Bedi borchis mistortune philosophically.

In Paki tan Bedi wis accused of continuing to bowl when he was being punished. Yes I admit that I was not effective on those docale wickets and I was thrushed admitted Bedi without offering any excuse. But I do wis left that I was apart from being captum also a main line bowler adding I belong to Bradman's school of thought. When a ked to elaborate Bedi said. Bradman never harked his responsibility. He dway went to but



Bedi and Venkat discuss a point before the start of a game

at his usual number three, irrespective
of score and time Bradman's argument was that if he was not equipped
to encounter the bowler at such a
crucial time of the day no one else in
this team could

Bedi lost the series in Pakistan where no visiting team had won before. That was not the first time Bedi had lost the series. But he and his team vere exceedingly popular there derite some unwinted incidents. The Mihirija of Birodi minager Pikis rin Test stars and officials were all prinse for Bedr who was considered a frue ambassidor of India It was stitten on the will that India had no chance ig un t Pakistan then But Bedi is made the scapegoat and his cap rance vas clipped off. Although Host the cries is was expected and capuncy subsequently I love Pakistan here I have some of my best friends. declared hedr But I must confess that I have enjoyed playing all over the cald except in Pakistan where there a lack of a proper cracker atmos phere Illaboriting further Bedrisad



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est victory e ation. Bedi is chaired by Gaekwad and Ghavri

that lack of atmosphere was perhap the man reason why so man top notchers like Zaheer Abbas Multing Mohammed Asat Iqbal Sadiq Mohammad Alimuddin Khan Mohammad Alimuddin Khan Mohammad Alimuddin Khan Mohammad Niscemul Chani and others had set the down in the United Kingdom atters wing goodbye to Paki tan Heaturthers and that the majority of our boys on this tour were struggling to apply themselves. Only after two day of our landing in Pakistan the boy began asking—how many more days revealed Bedi.

THERE we was tew official who I here we till fewer who will vorship a sun which has fallen out of favour with the powers that be A bedry is deprived of his Indian captaines intrague ridden be along miser decided to teach this arrogant Silh a lesson forgetting that male handed he brought Delhi and Zone cricket to the top despite he ivy odd and an uncricket like atmosphere

The local authoraties who have received the writh of the entire countrion their misdeeds and mallunction misdecided to drop him from the ciptaines But the sinister a mice field as Mad in 1 if declined to trop into Bedis shoes and the subsequent leafage of news in a local paper.

This wis the beginning of a buttle between the placer and local officials who were tring cricket a a platform to prosper in busine an stead of contributing towards the best terment of cricket and cricketers. All along last season local cricket was between the ground and the law courts. The persistent designs and short sighted and expression policy of an allegedly money lending family have reduced Delhi cricket to a shambles.

Bedi thinks Calcuttes I den Gui dens the best ground where it is al-

ways a joy to play Test matches "The atmosphere is electrifying there, crowds appreciative and the wicket sporting' Bedi said 'Madras, Banga loic and Bombay (in that order) are other centies where I have enjoyed playing cricket Continuing, Bedisaid It is a fallacy to say that a howler cannot be a good captain 1 teel-and I can prove it to the hiltthat a bowler if he carries a cool and shrewd head over his shoulders, can be is good a captain as a batsman if not better The bowler is generally not mide captain on the mistaken notion that he either over bowls or under bowls. Don't you think a captunbitsman who is on the threshhold of getting his century will delay declaration and thereby ruin the team's chances of a possible victory. Bedi-questioned. It is totally a batsman's gime let us accept it. A batsman gets all the encouragement from spectators. Press and other media for his tive any year "I have no complaints May be I did not deserve it", said Bedi with all his humility

BORN in Amiliar on September 25 1946 and coming of a none too affluent family Bedi began playing cricket when 14 He got some useful hints from Mr Gyan Prakash (Hindu College) Essentially using fingers to spin the ball. Bedi used his wrist to provide the ball with a little tweak. He worked hard for hours on the famous Gandhi grounds to develop accuracy

But I must admit that I made a breakthrough in first class cricket thanks to Khalsa College captain Gui pal Singh said Bedi Prakash Bhan dari is a shrewd cricketing brain and discussion with him when he played for Delhi after semiletirement for more than a decade was highly reward ing' added Bedi

Bedi hit the headlines first when he fashioned almost single handedly a thrilling victory for North over 1e

Bedi obliges in autograph hunter

century while a bowler with a stupendous effort of claiming four or more wickers on a docile strip gets hardly invancouragement asserted Bedi. Yet it is the bowlers who win matches and this all important fact is generally overlooked by all agencies Is it not unfair to bowlers? Let it be admitted that one can captain as well is one is illowed to declared Bedi

Bedi is one of the three bowler captums claiming 100 Test wickets Richic Benaud and Giry Sobers are the other two bowler ciptums who have achieved this distinction. Sobers wa however an all rounder not fall ing in the line of bowlers. The turbined 5ikh who wore steel rimmed spectacles and coloured patkas claimed 100 wickets in a season on two occasions in the County Championship and helped India reign supreme against Ingland in 1971. Yet strange as it may seem he has never been honoured or enlisted imong Wisden's

doubtable South in Madr is in 1969 70 South had eight acknowledged lest stars. North, led by Bedichard only one Test player in Ashok Gandotra None not even ardent supporters hoped that North would prevail over South The game was so heavily tilted in tayour of South on the third day of the match that North's non-cricketing manager M. I. Mehra went shooping

During the course of the match Bedi accompanied by a senior journal ist from North had a two hour educitive discussion on using of bowling crease with an old wirrior A.G. Ram Singh I benefited a great deal from that discussion said Bedi

Bedi had his Test baptism at Calcut ta, thanks to the initiative of the so called less knowledgeable selector M Dutta Ray and this really proved a turning point in Bedis career There is however a former hockey official who takes pride in saving that he

spotted the talent in Bedi and was instrumental in his selection. After an initially wayward start, Bedi soon proved that he was the most effective left hand spin bowler in the country

Winner of the Arjuna Award in 1969 and Padma Shree in 1970 Bedis entry into Test cricket was as meteoric as his retirement was quiet and sc date

"I have no complaint against umpir ing and umpires who I thought, did their job to the best of their ability and I suppose as well as we played said Bedi adding. Let me be honest in saving that Indian umpiring is im partial but slightly incompetent ow ing to lack of adequate opportunities According to him Delhi's Har Prasid Sharma was one of the finest umpires though he too made I few mistakes in lest matches

I W Swanton one of the mot knowledgeable cricket writers ha said. Cricket is not a pure science ind pray He ivens it never will be this side of the celestral realment any rate It is however in expression among other things of character and humour Since the retirement of MAK Paraudi and Bedi. I am inclined to admit that character and humour have been it i discount

I was not a candidate for the post of a manager for the ream of under 19 scheduled to tour England from July to September is cited Bedi. It is a pity that my name should have been proposed without consulting me or obtaining my consent

Let me make it further clear that I would not have accompanied the team even it I were declined elected be cause I am required it home for some very important work. Bedi Sud

Bedi was in Lucknow playing in the Sheesh Mihil final and then proceeded to Bank dore to coach the probables for the under 19 team. You will see that I could not have met any one and it is indeed shocking that some senior officials, hould be impetuousud Bedi

It came as a shock when Bedi a name was proposed by a representative of Cricket Association of Bengal (CAB) The group ponsored by the CAB representative had neither done its homework properly nor usee sed the feeling of the house. Naturally this group sustained defeat. Many of Bedis well wishers in Stinagar where the Board's special general body meet ing was held felt that it Bedahad such friends he did not need enemies

All senior players have said good bye But Gayaskar who is India's best 1 opening batsman is likely to continue as captain. He should be reminded that to play cricket means to be modest in victory to be resolute in deteat to work for one's side and not ! for oneself to accept the decisions of the umpires without delay and without ' complaint to play fair and to keep strictly to the rules. If Gavaskar tails to remember these the Indian team > performance will take a further nose 1



SECOND CORNHILL TEST

Another draw, as Boycott makes history

ASHIS RAY

THE Australians have a real knack for surprising Englishmen with newcomers Indeed if one examines cricket relations between the two countries, the point driven home is that many more first arrivals from the Antipodes have put the shiver down Olde Blighty's spine than vice versa

This time for instance, the Austra lian attack in the absence of Len Pascoe and Jeff Thomson was said to lack experience Admittedly, Dennis Lillce and Rodney Hogg are pretty seasoned customers but the question was would they be well supported by the youngsters? Both Terry Alderman and Geoff Lawson were, no doubt very promising but many feared their fate against a battle hardened English

lineup

In the event Alderman exploiting the helpful conditions at Trent Bridge with an expertise belying his years, emerged as the highest wicket taker in the match which as everyone knows. England lost That in fact was the first shock for the home side Then at Lord's in England's first innings Lillee looked clearly out of form, and Alder man despite bowling well, was unable to reap a just reward and Kim Hughes' gamble of putting the other team in seemed headed for failure Even at the end, the move did not pay off tully as England compiled a total of 311 But on a benign pitch young Lawson worked up pace like fire the return for which was a facile seven for 81 And that was jolt number two as tar as England were concerned

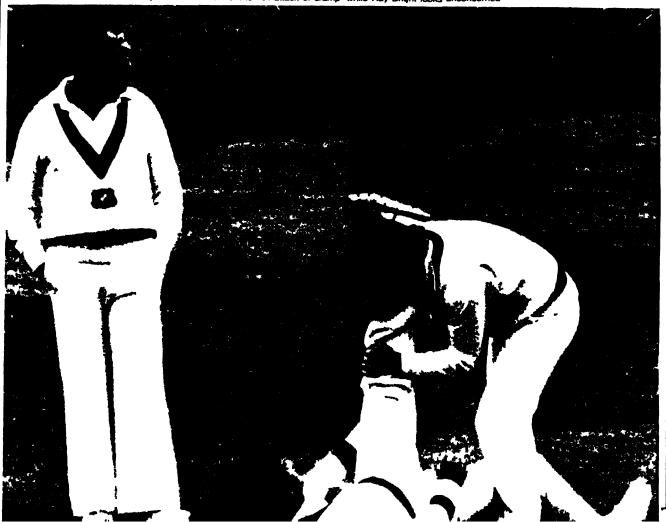
It was the 40 year old Geoff Boycott's hundredth Test but he left cheaply after Graham Gooch had made a handsome 44 and that placed England at 65 for two In fact, it was only after the fourth wicket fell at 187 that Peter Willey joining Mike Gatting realised 97 runs, and carried their side to some respectability. Willey a fool proof player after the confrontations with the West Indian quicks, executed some lovely shots in his top score of 82, the most memorable being the cover drive off the back foot Ultimately, a brilliant catch by Allan Border at second slip which gave the persever ing Alderman his only victim, termin ated the effort Gatting is the man in good touch this summer, and he produced a characteristically resilient knock of 59

In Australia's reply, Border was again the mainstay, with a contribution of 64 This left hander is by nature an aggressive exponent, but in the face





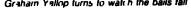
Allan Border arves paceman Terry Alderman treatment for an attack of cramp while Ray Bright looks unconcerned

















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of crises has curbed this tendency and helped the tourists to a well deserved first innings lead of 34 they having been shielded to a certain extent by their skipper choosing not to take first strike.

In England's second outing David Cower was the star with a fluent innings of 89 with Boycott sturdy as usual with 60 to his name. This hoisted England to 265 for eight but it dep rived the Yorkshirem in of what would have been had he got it a most cherished century Four years igo he accomplished the memorable feat of his hundredth ton in front of his home crowd at Headingley and that too versus the Australians. Many people don't get a single great moment in their lives. I got one that one at Leeds. I am quite contented for asking for more would amount to being greedy he said before the match. But Boycott revels in situations when expectancy is at its highest, and speculation was rife about the possibility of his conjuring a hundred in this Lord's Test. It was not to be however

Finally Australia set a target of 232 to win or 170 minutes to survive, whichever way one looks at it, strung together an unimpressive 90 for four, in which Wood, of course, provided a solid unbeaten 62, irrespective of one chance

So a slight moral victory for Eng

Lind but ironically the main at the helm. In Both im transpired as the major casualty in the contest. He obtained a duck in each immings tailed to recover his old fire with the ball which has been a feature of his performance in the pastive ir and lost the captaines. He actually went up to the selectors after the match asking for an immediate retention for the rest of the series which they were not in a position to accept and so he resigned. This relieved the selectors of the un pleasant business of having to sack him but the a the decision to remove him had already been taken.

A day later Alex Bedser and his colleagues announced Mike Brearles's name for the job but only for three Jests as he is still univillable for overseas tours. And whoever takes the helm in the final Jest is likely to be the man to lead the squad in India later this year. The current favourite is keith Fletcher, but Boycott according to informed circles is also in the running.

For the time being though Lng land and Brearley's task is to salvage the present series which it they succeed in doing will go a long way towards excavating the Englishmen from the shambles they find them selves in They are one down against a comparatively raw unit and this must

be bothering them no end

Baycoff follows it to the nets with a stiff neck proof to the second Test. He has fibrosits in the neck and it was doubtful whether he would play at Lord s





I've come to prove myself in Calcutta

SARAJIT DEB profiles Francis DeSouza who wants to establish himself in Calcutta but is finding it difficult due to injury

16 My cldest brother Melvin once to told me that if I wanted to prove myself as a good footballer. I would have to go to Calcutta and be successful there. That he said was the only real test. I wanted to do it and so when Mohun Bagan came with an offer through Melvin to join them in 1977 I did not let it pass. My transfer did not come through that year be cause my club Dempo Sports Club did not want me to leave I tried again in 1979 and ultimately joined Mohun Bagan in 1950

That is Francis DeSouza, who made a dream debut for his new club when he scored in the 45th second of his first game. That was Mohun Bagan's open ing tie of the 1940 Federation Cup. He beat his former Goa colleague Brahman and a of Salgaone ir with a neat placement. In the next match against Indian Telephone Industries he once again scored the first goal for

Mohun Bagan

After that however it has been a tale of injury. After a full during a practice session he developed a pain in the waist. I thought it would pass away and in order to get fit faster I did weight training under the guid ince of club coach Aroon Ghosh The pain became worse and I was advised test by doctors which was followed by traction in the waist. From Calcutta. I went to Delhi for better treatment as Melvin knew some orthopaedists it the All India Medical Institute There, under the guidance of two doctors. I did excercises and underwent phy | siotheraphy

During the DCM tournament P K Banerjee met me at Delhi and advised on how to get fit I joined the team at Bombay for the Rovers Cup but as I was not fully fit did not play I played in the Durand and during the tournament a fresh problem cropped up in the form of jaundice. I had to miss the Nagjee Cup but joined the side at Madras for this year's Federa tion Cup where I developed liver

trouble

'After I became fit, I came back to Calcutta, and though I have played in a few matches I have yet to perform well In fact I am not satisfied with my own performance That is because I m not entirely fit and also because I have not played tootball for the last six or seven months. Added to all these problems is the fact that I m not used to playing in such heavy ground conditions but I im slowly trying to idjust with the assistance and guidance of my club coach Sankar Banerjee - Francis

said thoughtfulls

To get back to the roots of his career one has to trivel back to Sali gao. Got on March 25, 1957, when Francis was born. He later joined Don Bosco High School Panjim and it was at this school ground that I rancis had his first taste of football. He represented his school in the Subi it i Cup in 1970 and 1971. After passing out from school he joined St. Xaviers College. Got and also represented his college In 1973 he joined his first club. Don Bosco Orotory but soon left it and joined Panyel Sports Club and played there till 1974 From 1975 till he joined Mohun Bagan he was with

FRANCIS got the first chance to Prepresent his State Goa in the 1974 Punjab Nationals Over the years he has missed two Nationals (1977) and 1979) both due to transfer problems Of course he did not take part in the List Nitionals it Cuttack is he had hardly played list seison and was not considered for selection. My best performance in the Nationals was at Sri nagar in 1974 especially in the quar ter final league match against Bengal We were down by two goals till about 12 minutes before the final whistle We levelled the score I had scored one of the goals and with a bit of luck we could have won that match. Then in the final once more against Bengal I scored a goal but it was disallowed Francis recollected

Francis first did national duty in 1977 when he went with the Indian team for the Afghanistan tour This was followed by the Asian Games in 1978 and the Middle East tour in 1979 Though he was called for the pre Olympics camp in 1980 he could not

attend it due to injury

Among his ichievements on the national scene, the most prominent one involves the 1978 Rovers Cup final

where he scored both the goals for his side, Dempo, against Orkas Mills, Bombay Earlier in 1977, in the first Federation Cup, he was adjudged the best forward, in 1976 in the final of the Bandodkar Cup, he scored a hat trick against Leaders Club Jullundin ind then crowned himself with glory in Goa when he was given the Best Sportsman of the Year" award by the Goa Sports Council for the 1978 79

The first offer to join Mohun Bagan came in 1977 from Chuni Gos wami of course through my brother Melvin Otters came from other clubs of Calcutta but I wanted to play for a traditional club in Calcutta Then Mel vin who has always guided me and has been my main source of inspiration, advised me to join Mohun Bagan, l know I did not make a wrong decision when I ultimately joined the club last year. The club officials helped me a lot during my injury days and I m really grateful to them Francis said thoughtfully

Francis used to play on the wings and it was Dempo coach. Joseph Rat. nam who had isked him to shift to the striker position. There is no doubt that it paid dividends. Among the other coaches who have impressed him are Bob Bootland also of Dempo He was instrumental in bringing me to the right shape for football through proper physical training and Aroon Ghosh

Arounda both as my club's coach last year and national couch has helped me a lot. I can never forget his encouragement when I needed it most during my injury period Francis

A major problem that I rancis is tacing now in Calcutt cas tood. Imreally finding it difficult to adjust myself to the food here he said sadly He spends his free time either reading novels listening to music or going out to see movies with his mess mate. Md Habib and Subrata Bhitticharva

Then there is the most important thing that has to be adjusted to -the nature of the game itself. Here in Calcutta the ground conditions are very heavy and because of this he ivy atmosphere a lot of power is needed along with mobility. Individual ability is also stressed here and of course there is a tremendous driving force to win all the matches because of the tension that prevails here. In Goal the game is more relaxed and instead of individual skill term effort is the

Football runs in the DeSouza time While Melvin is a FIFA bidge holder another Roland plays for Central Bank Bombis and at the same time is also a referee and set inother Newton, used to play for Central Rail way Bomb is There was some dis couragement from my mother about my coming to Calcutta but Mclvin overruled her decision. I intend staying here for a few years and proving myself as a good footballer. But first I must get physically fit

Mohammedan S.C. used the right tactics

CHUNI GOSWAMI analyses the Mohammedan Sporting-East Bengal encounter

THAT the detenders of both I ist Bongal and Mohammed in Sporting would be under tremendous pressure is whit I inticipated in my preview of this big match between these two Calcutta grants. Not only did they come under pressure they simply wilted ind not without it ison The ground was slushy and did not provide the players with a firm toothold. This is a must if defenders are to put up in effective bulwark against onrushing forwards. As a result, the detence of both teams lacked in consolidation This accounts for the frequent raids on \(\frac{1}{4}\) both goals, which is rather unusual in [such top class encounters

However it was not just the ground ; conditions which were to blame in this case. The detenders of both team committed a number of blunders There was virtually no main toman marking let ilone zon il ind di icon il covering. As for the latter strategy, the shortcomings were only too obvious to be made any special mention of They | Time and again he maintained his |

were exposed to everybody present whether an expert or a laymin Theoretically speaking these mis takes on the part of the defenders especially the deep defenders point to their lack of knowledge and training as regards diagonal and zon il covering on a slippery ground with mud under neith the grass. Movement in this viral area which calls for constant vigil was alarmingly slow

As for the midfield, the story is almost the same. The region was often seen virtually deserted with most of the players scrambling to one side or the other. In this regard it is the Fast Beng il plavers who are to blame in the main and it was Prasun who exploited the situation to the full

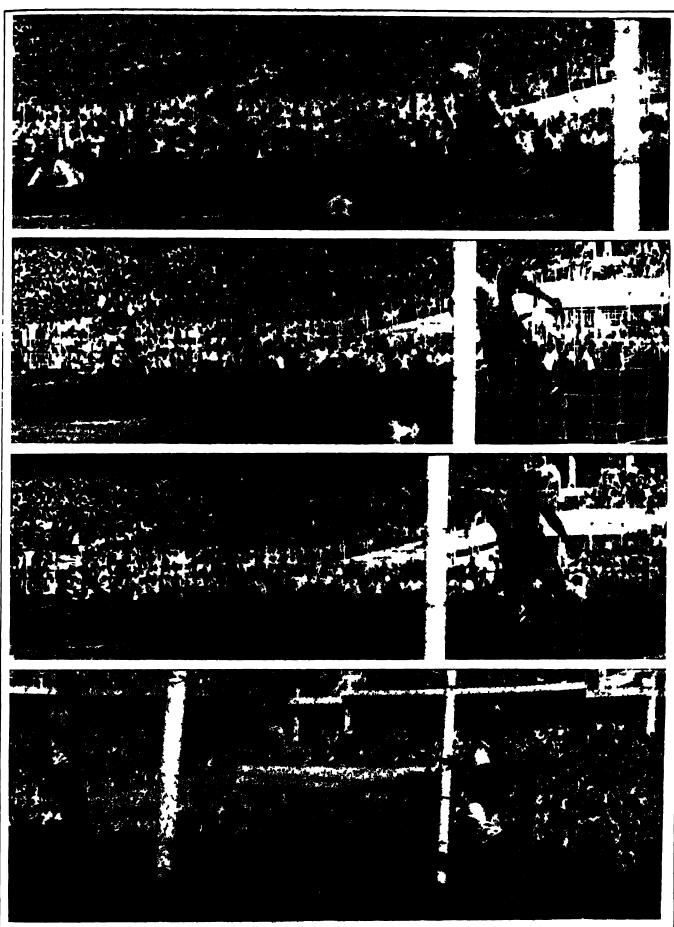
Prisun perhaps was the only player to read the situation precisely indadopt the right strategy for his team. Prasun was seen rushing down the mid zone like in enriged bull with virtually none to stand in his way

pace right up to the I ast Bengal goal irea with the litter's defenders mak ing desperate efforts to stcm his inva-

Not only that Prayun being a local boy also understood where the key to success (4) - ground passing. On a slip pery ground, is was Eden on that day dodging and drabbling was hardly a problem Even players like Akhar who are no great dodgers were seen dribbling past Last Bengal players at ease Mohammedan Sporting players stuck to that strategy with of course Prasun giving the lead and this play really paid dividend. Apart from him. Amali if was particularly enthusiastic about playing according to that line of tranking However since he is not a local player he was not as suited to such he ivy ground conditions

On the other hand the Last Bengal players opted for the opposite. They planned to make their breaks through the air in spite of the fact that the Mohammed in Sporting deep deten





This is how the goal was scored. Shabbir Ali pushes the ball pest East Bengal, custodien Blewayt Das (lying on the ground). Dilip Paint tres in vain to reach the bail but only manages to do so after it enters the net. Manash Bhattacharya, shoots home the ball once again in glee.

Coaches' views

After the match, SUBHASH SARCAR and SARAJIT DEB spoke to the coaches of Mohammedan Sporting, ABDUS SATTAR and East Bengal, SANTO MITRA, respectively

ABDUS SATEAR First and fore I understand why he held on to the most I must thank the supporters of both clubs for their mexpected good behaviour despite the fact that the usual tension exited on the day the tickers were sold. It was a good gesture that Lat Bengal supporters took it so portingly

Performances are the match was closely fought though I mild say that we had a light edge over our opponents. fill the day before no citici in the I was not any whether Prisun Purcific could be pla me is he was still complaining of a rip input. But he presence definitely made all the difference boosting the teams nor de tremendou ly and causing I ast Bengal even more anxiety. Prisun was 50 percent fit. in the initial take but gradually he picked up confidence and there by rose to the occurion. He as unproved to be the most cutstanding player that di-

The total performance of my team was most attractar. It has been many year am e Melamini d in Sporting be it I ist Bene it in the local League althourn earler we had deteated them in the led cration Cup. This sictory has enhanced our chances of recoming the prestue on League title high . we have talled to be more and

To begin with Bhaka ne ig in exhibite the bearing harm perament ender the force need a min to prove that he is still the oct inthe countrated is Omada a fe tence played compact at a stabill with the result that the result of wards had difficult in penetrating 1 our view entition. Coming to the medios. Pris replaced aperbly and wis abre supported. Trisan ta. With recita to our wing forwards both bide hand Manish Bhattacharya stretched the List Bengal wing back. Premouth Philip just could not cope with the speedy Bidesh though Manash was times tackled well by Dilip Pilit 1 must say that Manach was not fed properly compared to Bidesh My strategy was to play the wingers. and I wanted Slabbu to draw Mororanjan Bhartacharea out of his position so that the cord could be utilised by other players. My plan was to play Mebar a little deeper to help the media, and then arrick the trees varied indthe actual coult should have been

Shabba sacris a flear ulrota. good combured move with Albir T do not think Mar isn's one should have been disalled Or ful to I ball for so long. The moot question is was the goal disallowed by re-teree Dilip Sen because the ball went out. If so why didn't the referee blow for it instead of having to wait till Manash netted it?

Fast Bengal started well but we took control as the game pro ceeded It was sheer bad luck—and tortunate for us—that Majid's low shot missed the far upright after cluding a diving Bhaskar Majid and Jamshid were the only two who played quite well in the attacking line though later on substitute Somnith Bancriee mide an attempt as well. He had all the time in the world to place the ball into the net I feel Sudhir Karmakar's inclusion in place of Shekharan would have strengthened the real line is he is more accustomed to heavy conditions. After conceding the Lord Lat Bengal came back into play and put a lot of pressure in our detence, ilso missing a couple of good chances in the process However it was a good exciting ni itch

SANTO MITRA We lacked term spirit and tailed to put up an inspired show. Though we let in the Loil in the 10th minute of the second half we had enough time in which to equalise. We even created a tex openings but failed to score On the other hand they were able to convert the chance into a goal Added to all the their players are habituated in playing at the I den Gurdens whereas most of my players are out station recruits

In the first half Prasun Banerjee was dangerous Fareed had been instructed to keep Prasun under careful vacilance, which he tailed to do in the later stage of the first half He was going to help the forwards but repeatedly failed to fall back, theichy creating a big gap in the midfield. For that reason I brought in Joseph Machado in the second half and I was not wrong in my judgement. Machado stopped Prasun's progress and on a few occasions he sent high lobs which were quite dangerous

Coming to the individual issessment of the players. From my team Biswajit Das in goal was good at anticipation especially when he saved the Akbar shot But it he had not left his charge the all important goal could have been avoided Premnath Philip's greatest folly is that he has not realised his limitation as a

defender He could not contain Bidesh Bose but moved up sometimes to help the forward line Monoranjan Bhattacharya is the base of my defence He played well throughout but he committed one mistake that culminated in a goal Shekharan covered his zone, while Dilip Palit played better than that was expected of him He kept Manash Bhattacharva in check to a great extent About the goal perhaps he had thought Shabbir Ali would hit in the first post. When he saw it going towards the second post he was too late

Fareed started well but was tinding it difficult to keep control of himself on the slushy ground Machado performed well while Amalra; tried to control the game with his experience and was successful to a certain extent (D) Francis is basically a striker and it was expected that he would convert a chance when it came to him which he failed to do Jimshid Nassiri and Majid were never their true selves and they failed constantly to disturb the rival stoppers. My whole plan was to attack through the middle which we fuled to do simply because they could not get going Khabiai initiated a few noves and Somenath Bancijec, who came in during the dving stages, missed a

from the Mohammedan Sporting team full credit should go to Bhaskar Ganguly He was a tower of strength inspiring a great deal of contidence in his colleagues. The two stoppers Moidul Islam and Romen Bhattachus a withstood the pressure well but they were allowed to play treely Chininos Chatteries was generally sound and Aloke Mukherjee wir neesstul to a large extent in containing (D) Francis Prasun was superb in the first half but what is even more creditable is that he was on the field for the entire 70 minutes. His presence boosted the morale of the side and he was well assisted by Prasanta Banerice who stood deep and played measured tootball Manash was a bit subdued as Dilip Palit had kept a close watch on him but Bidesh was dangerous Whenever he had the ball he was able to stretch our detence. Akhar and Shabbir tried hard and were instrumental in scoring the all important goal

Overall, it was good football as all the players beha ed well The difference between the two sides was cohesiveness. We could not play as a team whereas they could Another important factor was that my team did not have a leader like Prasun who could have guided and generated a fighting spirit in the

We are nearing our goal

Prasun Baneriee who was once again the main pivot in notching up a sensational win, gives his impressions of the game to SUBHASH SARCAR

SPORTSWORLD What do you have to say about your team's per formance?

PRASUN BANERJEE As I said earlier we had the better chance of winning and would have to go the whole hog to pull it off In a way it was a historic victory as we really outclassed them though I will not deny the fact that I ast Bengal also played well In fact the score should have indicated a higher mar gin of victory I think Manash Bhat tacharva's was a genuine goal. The reason I stress on this is that in 1976 a similar goal was scored against East Bengal when I chipped to Ulaganathan who netted the all important goal for Mohun Big in It was said to have been a disputed one However this time the referre did not allow it

Our team really played well It was good to see team spirit it its peak after such a long time. I im happy that I was able to play. I just couldn't let the club down at such a crucial stage. In spite of the doctor's advice I took the plunge. I would say that we were lucky that the match did not come off on July 4 I played well because the other players helped me and encouraged

me too
SW What about the ground con ditions? Do you think your side haid

the edge?

PB The Eden Cardens is not in the least fit for football. And I unhappy that under such conditions both teams give their best to make the match interesting. We were playing on a ground that was no better than a paddy field. Thank |



God no one in either side got injured. That would have been real ly bad. As a senior player I would request the II A to spend some of its money from these exhibition matches to improve the ground I fully agree with what II ibibd i hid stated earlier in Sportsworld about local players being far superior in such heavy conditions. This was proved yet again. However, I am not discrediting outstation and foreign players They are good and are most welcome

SW Do you have anything to say about the refereeing?

PB There is nothing to say about this Dilip Sen did a wonder tul job and had the game under total control

SW What would you say are the chances of your team emerging League champions

PB (Smile) You see I know what it means to be in a side that wins the learne title but it i altogether different this year There is a certain charm in this Though I wont is that we sill be the champions we are certainly nearing the goal. The Calcutta League is o prestigious that it really means a great deal to win-The present situation is similar to the one prevailing in 1975 when Mohun Bagan wrested the title from Last Bengal and I we on the winning side. This time the same feeling persists, but with a differ ence Mohammedan Sporting have been luckless in their quest for the League title for several years but I am proud to be able to bring them back into the reckoning once again



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County Cricket Review

Middlesex emerge again

ASHIS RAY reports from London

WHEN discussing the week involving the end of June and early July, one must at the very outset, delve into the individual aspect as the record in this category was quite out standing, especially in batting, with Zaheer Abbas continuing to steal the thunder away from all others

The question was whether this Pakistani would complete 1000 runs by the conclusion of June Indeed, the answer was provided quite emphati

cally as needing 135 runs to accomplish the task at the start of the last available match, that against War wickshire, he notched up exactly a hundred in the first outing, and 51 in the second to stylishly cross the miles tone

Then, to celebrate the achieve ment as it were Zaheer collected 135 not out and 128 versus Northampton shire in the succeeding game, which earned him the distinction of two



Player of the week Zaheer Abbas



Let us take a look at the list of motable one man efforts in the week concerned

The veteran Glen Turner cap tining Worcestershire, this year got a superb 168 against Yorkshire a match which the former won by three wickets Geoffrey Humpage the Warwickshire wicketkeeper who gos selected for England in the one days versus Australia last month obtained 146 and 110 versus Gloucestershire Playing for Essex against Leicestershire, Graham Gooch projected a characteristical ly brilliant 164 with the natural ised Australian Ken McEwan strik ing 109 and 54 And responding to these, in the same match, was David Gower with a fluent 156 not out In Glamorgan's clash with Hampshire the coloured South African Rodney Ontong conjured 151 and 50 against Essex on behalf of Nottinghamshire skipper Clive Rice notched up a magnificent 166 not out in a total of a little more than 200, and Richard Hadlee grab bed six wickets in the same fixture Also taking six wickets was Robin Jackman for Surrey versus Some rset Other than that Allen Lamb's 162 for Northamptonshire against Gloucestershire was noteworthy, not to mention the 180 by Andrew Kennedy of Lancashire in the tie with Derbyshire, which was a career best effort But obviously, all of them are overshadowed by the hundreds in three successive in nings by Javed Miandad However. even that can't take the prize in this thrilling seven days, for the accolade must go to Zaheer Abbas What sways it in his favour is first the passing of the landmark of 100 runs before anyone else and then hitting two more centuries in the very next match, which took his tally of first class tons this season to six Yes, unequivocally, the player of the week

centuries in a match for the second time this season

Compiling a 1000 runs by the end of June, on the face of it, may not appear to be such an extraordinary feat But the fact is, Zaheer—courtesy the weather—was deprived of even a sing le first-class innings in May, which meant that he registered all his runs in one calendar month and that too, in a month which is a day shorter than May Actually, other than W G Grace and Wally Hammond no other Gloucestershire batsman can claim this exhibition

And keeping the Pakistani flag flying at about the same juncture was Javed Miandad, who produced three centuries in consecutive innings—the first against Warwickshire and the other two at the expense of Somerset such regularity of hundreds has not been posted by a Glamorgan player in the last 31 years and the display came as another reminder to the County that they couldn't have seized a better bargain than signing up the talented karachi man from Sussex two years ago Incidentally in the match utilised by Miandad for the two tons his English counterpart lan Botham ter minated a lean trot by hitting an unbeaten 123 And erupting as it did on the brink of the Lord's Test, it was looked upon as a good omen But the young lion no matter what the fi gures might say is not the exponent he used to be—a shocking case of decline really under the burden of captaincy

On the broader spectrum the progress of the County Championship was conspicuous for the sudden turn of success demonstrated by Middlesex, holders of the title but hitherto a mere shadow of their last year's selves With Mike Brearley as usual at the helm, they defeated Nottinghamshire by 112 runs and tollowed it with a narrow one wicket win over Kent. This has propelled them into second place in the table with 93 points—just two points behind Surrey—with the same number of matches played. The cham pions have tremendous depth of talent ind seem to have equitably overcome the disadvantage of having to con-stantly surrender stalwarts like Mike Gatting, Paul Downton and John Emburev to the national squad and it is possible that here onwards it's going to be quite a handful for the other sides to stave off the challenge of the champions

As was the case last season Brear ley is again showing the way. He got 131 against Notts, after which Emburev with a return of five for 30 Richard Hadlee took six wickets in the Middlesex first innings and scored 82 in his team's opening venture But obviously, the resistance proved in sufficient

The meeting with Kent was a rather low scoring affair and the winners were reduced to 97 for nine before they triumphed, with Derek Under wood serving a notice to the selectors in capturing six for 29 Earlier, of course, Wayne Daniel captured seven wickets in the match and was well



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supported by Simon Hughes, back from university, and replacing the in jured Jeff Thomson in the squad

In the John Player Sunday League, like Middlesex in the championship, Derbyshire have joined the front run ners, having eased into second place here. They have 18 points from six matches to Sussex's 20 from seven, and since each win procures four points, the Midlands side can be said to be in a position of slight theoretical ascendancy.

As for the tour games, Sri Lanka did themselves an injustice by losing to a second string Sussex XI, although they were in no danger of such humi liation in the drawn encounter with Worcestershire. This latter clash, however was made memorable by Dipak Patel, the Kenyan Asian, scoring 47 and 72 and picking up five wickets for 76 with his off spinners. In other words, the remarkable improvement persists

Finally, the Australians used their engagement with Kent at Canterbury for batting practice. Despite occupying the driver's seat in this visit, they are still short of this essential experience and one could not blame them for their attitude. But at the same time, it made a mockery of the Holts spon sorship of County games.

A thousand for England

Concluding extracts from the book "Ian Botham The Great All-Rounder' by Dudley Doust The book is published by Cassell and is priced at £6 95

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after Botham had got himself into a tangle while playing the Indian spin ners in the Test at Lord's In that innings Botham trying to hit Bedi had enjoyed a ration of luck when the balls just carried over the covers or landed dangerously short of extra covci Botham chercupon went into a defensive shell Blocking he had got out ingloriously to Venkat Richards had seen it all on television and later scolded his Somerset friend 'What you going on about man? Just cause you land a ball in the wrong place doesn't mean you gotta stop playing your shots You chicken' keep on hitting the ball man! The rebuksuggested timidity. Ian had told the story against himself and his England mates had tickled the sting by picking up Richards, words in a sing song West Indian iccent Once Richards had trunted him Breatles said later there was no way I was going to dissuade Both im from attacking the spinners even if I wanted to because if there is one thing Both im seeks at a Viv's idmiration and praise. On the field. Both im has read the reference and attempts to reply to it with a rude two finger ge ture. It doesn't come off because of the clumsy mitten shape of his bitting glove. He is 125. England 245 Both im's fortunes are soon to run dry. The next ball is guilefully held back by Venkat and Botham admit tedl looking for mother is come torward and lashes mightily at the bill He mi hits it high on the bir and the ball litts and sinks toward long on Chauhan sprints in and tall in nearl takes the catch Both in runs two off the ball and then add a single to complete the over on 128

Bedi 'lan is a restless crickcter and whatever he does, ho does in a hurry''

The end is on the cards though when Bedi comes on to bowl to Edmond Edmonds blocks the third ball to mid on gring Both im the neight three bill. to reach his tirket of 140 and with a his 1 000th Test run. Both im plays in misses the first of them and then uttully moving onto his back foot he cut the next bill straight to extra cover I motion ally pumped up he ha but the ball harder than he realises and bursts down the wicker shouting Yes At the other end Edmonds i dumbtounded Not he shouts but but his partner keeps coming. There is no way Both im is not coming through I dmonds realises and having he i tited he is lost he chooses to sacrifice himself and sprints towards the bat man send Sharma whips up the ball pauses like a donkey between (5) bales of have and finally throws to Be at the bowler's end. Bedr receives the ball almost certainly in good time ! sweep awity the bails and put an end-Botham's innings. But he throws to hi wicket keeper and there at the still ers end Reddy dismisses Edmond

with strides to spare. It has been a stupid tired mistake and Edmonds curses Botham in a replica of good humour. He glances at Bedi. Bish you're a very good 1 id he mutters out too 18 Botham alive ind not at ill well on 13 and England 264 for seven clearly out of danger.

Brearles "Botham aims high"

BOTHAM is out next ball he rethree field on the leg side delivers a traight ball just outside the off stump An easy single is there it Bothim plays the ball on its merit to mid off but by now his concentration is rit tled. He tries to hit the ball inside out Litt it over extra cover, and through the gap in the off side. He mis times it though and the ball rises in a soft doomed are to Ghavri who only move e tep to receive it Both im sinnings is er. He ruses his bat and start illing He passes Venkir who is Copping his time innings. Good ball. Johan says to the Indian captum ou got me going for the shot - and it intreally on Tumbering towards the payalion striding through abowl of applied to he is pleased with his ining. Only is he climbs the wooden turs to the changing room does he certigate himself. You idiot the says to u had taken it in ones you could haccounted it Both im slong verge t 157 run falling three runs horr of pert was achieved in 201 minutes and imons the 150 bills he received vice 16 tour a well as the 5 axes

Ted Dexter was the last Linglish n in to hit so well indeed it is hard to think that Jessop or anyone else ever hit i bill inv better thin Both im did tiere said John Woodcock of The lines writing in The Cricketer It it is real trios of in innings and aved the match from being no more than a damp and dismal memory. Both im's leparture it 2.39 or the fourth div eff England 264 for eight and 15 minute. Liter England were ill out for 270 The match which again was to be topped by rain finally drifted to a haw on the last day and it wasn't until i fortnight liter in the final lest at the Oval that Botham was to reach his 1 000th Test run and therefore his fouble. The record setting shot a prine cut to the boundary comes in the first innings off Bedi Botham nrives at the crease with I ngl ind 149 tot four and rather formally pushes a pad forward to a good length first ball. the battle mongoose ig iinst snike is tomed and Bedi brings Gavaskir into illy point barely a breath away from Botham Crowded Botham is uncomtortable. He looks at the Indian fielder and thinks you better watch out be misc the next ball is going through there just to the left of you Bedi heels in Here is his account of the bill. My second ball to lan was a ball that deserved more caution from a



Ian Butha mail a clar Bushay latine Tell

man who had just come in It was a good ball too bowled at the stumps well up and is I in haped to plast I thought. It he misses the ball he is bowled. It he misses the is caught. What he did am eved me. One normall doesn't go for the square cut so early in the annings.

The square cut is exactly what Botham koes for ind he brings it off exactly is he had predicted under his breath to the fieldm in Gay isk if He moves dettly onto his back foot and cuts. The ball shoots past Gay isk if on his left side, and flees to the bound us. Botham is four for the day 1,001 runs. The Oval explodes Bedi bounces down the wicket and this time in un illoyed idmit ition, claps Botham high above his patha before embracing him. I should not have been surprised when

he went for that shot. Bedr was to conclude. Im is a restless cricketer and shatever he does he does in a huir Fortum has his double and indeed in a hurry he has done it in 21 To to easily to atom, the previous England record of all ser by Maurice Tate and the world record of 23 held by Vince Minkid of India Botham's ichievement was nicely confirmed at the Oxil the next morning when he picked up his pile of tan mail. In it were two telegrims. One from Ox shott in Surrey read. Hearty congratulations (agained) Joev Peckham Marine Late daughter The other from Bomb is read. Heartiest congra tulitions on ou breaking my late husband's letrecord Wishing you all the best (signed) Mis Manorama Vinoo Minkad

Sportspeople

Chris Evert: Injustice to King

first heard about Billie Jean King's Lordeal when I opened up the papers in London My first reaction was that nothing is private anymore. It seems that even if you try to be discreet in your private life it somehow either backfires or eventually comes out in the open. It is almost as it you have to live a puritanical life so as not to get yourself involved in any type of con troversy

I felt terribly sad for Billie Jean because although nobody could actual ly know what she was going through I could imagine a bit of the pain and humiliation of having this subject pub-licly exposed. When people started writing about my private life about whom I was dating, it certainly did not help in any way those real relationships Rather it hurt them And it hurt me that people could have so little respect for my privacy and that they would be knocking at my hotel door I think you have got to draw the line somewhere

Your sex life appears to me to be the most private thing in life. It can be funny, it can be embarrassing it can be so many things but it should be something that remains entirely your own Nobody should have the audacity to reveal anything that is personaland Billie Jean had it blasted ill over the papers. There were terrible invasions on her privacy on two occasions First when Marilyn Barnett Billie Jean's tormer hairdresser and secret ary filed a lawsuit charging that King and she had had a homosexual relationship and that Billie Jean there fore owed her litetime support under



California's palimony law and second when king was compelled to call a Press conference to admit her courage to speak up but when I heard

aff ur I admire Billic Jean for having the

A peep into the built Bire Jean King and Manuel Santa a stait the traditional Wiln't edunit all



about her admission I had a sinking feeling in my stomach There are certain things in my life which I would never want people to know I have made some mistakes too, but I would never want them to be disclosed It is just that when you are in the spotlight, these things unfortunately come out It is one of the pitfalls of being acelebrity

I earnestly hope that people would not judge Billie Jean unfairly I think people have compassion because she has so many precious qualities she has taught women the qualities of honesty and courage, pride and determination and the rewards of sticking to some

thing you believe in

I certainly think that this disclosure will diminish king in the eves of those people who are not connected with the world of tennis. I do not want to call them people with weak characters but there are some people who enjoy reading trash as it spices up their lives a

I don't think Billie Jean's admission will have that much of a negative effect on women's tennis. At least I hope it would not I think the lesbian thing may have always been in the back of people's minds because we are is small close knit somewhat isolated group of women athletes travelling together. There are some very close triendships on tour, but unless you have been behind closed doors (and I haven't been) you cannot really know whether they are lesbian relationships. If it is going on the girls are very discreet and one should respect their privacy.

And who are we to to know to knock it if someone is gay? I think i every man or woman has the right to choose his or her own art of living. We it it not in a position to judge what is right and what is wrong in someone!

else's private lite

There is no denying the fact that she is the one whose personality in telligence and charisma made women's tennis what it is today. She even paved the way for me Billie Jean ind Rosie (Casals) and Gladys (Held man) had done all the hard work—all the Press conferences the one night stands the selling of women's tennis. I just reaped the benefits. The younger players are now reaping even more benefits.

I earnestly hope that Billie Jean will come out of this mess successfully that this incident would not change her attitude towards life or love or invthing I would hate to see her lose neither enthusiasm not courage because that would be an even bigger injustice than the invasion on her privacy.

The right man in the right place

TO become a successful sportsman one must possess strength speed stamina and skill And Brigadier D \ Devine Jones, who captained the India



Atmy tootball team for a decade had all the qualities. Surprising though it might seem the successful tootballer strict love was boxing. The golden days of Christchurch School. Nagpur ire still fresh an my mind. I would never pass a mirror without shadow hoving said. Jones at the Sena Bhiwan.

The occasion was a befitting one as the Brigadier was unanimously elected secretary of the Indian Amateur Boxing Federation (IABF) for yet another term which was welcomed by the boxing fraternity because it was whis pered that the federation would bring in new blood. He recalled. As boxing was discouraged in the Air Foice. I switched over to soccer and soon found myself in love with the game and there was no turning back.

He was quite a familiar face on the Calcutta Maidan. He played in the first IFA Shield tournament in Independent India for Bengal Nagpur Rail way and represented Bombay in the 1949. Calcutta Nationals. The year 1950 saw Jones captain the first Indian Army team in the IFA Shield. Then came 1951 which is Jones reminisced was a golden year and I was in the Indian squad for the first Asian Gameheld in Delhi.

There was a brief lay off during which I got married and tried to be come a successful husband. Jones recalled (with a smalle). After the brief lay off in 1955, the peerless Calcutta crowd saw him in action again along with team mate Mewalal, who inspired him a great deal.

Jones was a regular player in the Arvan team in 1956 and later represented Last Bengal as a guest player in the DCM Trophy. He was adjudged the best player by the All Sports Lovers Association. My best game was against the Chinese team in 1956. I played for the IFA XI along with Fen Musa. Sanat Seth. Kumar. Saib idhi kari and others. Our 30 victors was in inspiration to every Indian. Said a proud lones adding our footballers have skill, but physical stature is a handicap.

Though far from the ring for a long J

time Jones nourished his passion for boxing and got an opportunity to fulfil it when he joined the Pune Army School of Physical Training as a special instructor Boxing was already a favourite sport with the jawans and Jones got O P Bharadwaj now chief coach of NIS to work under him and introduced many new measures. To day the Army has captured the ring

Since the Munich Olympics Indian boxers have been participating in in ternational competitions regularly. As the secretary of the IABF since 1974, Jones has left no stone unturned to

keep the banner flying

Born on August 15 1928 Jones is still an exceptionally active sports personality. One can recall how he conducted boxing bouts at the Hyderabad National Games amid in unruly crowd with supreme confidence wearing the uniform of a colonel. The success of the ninth Asian Boxing Championships at Bombay jerked Indian boxing on its feet. Now Jones next challenge is the Delhi Asiad Because of his dedication and uplift of the discipline the Government of India has promoted him to the rank of a Brigadier.

A gold medal prospect

IT was only through consistent im provement that Sukhwant Singh who has replaced Harvana's Sant kumar at the top in the 1500m event won his first international medal (silver) on debut at the recent Asian Frack and lield meet at Tokyo clock

ing 51 % seconds

A ticket collector it Sangrur rail was station in Punjab. Sukhwant took to athletics seven ve its ago just after passing his Mitriculation examination from the Sangrur Model High School The seventh position in Punjab in his first ve it encouraged him. Iwo years later in 1976 he participated in the Inter Virsity Athletics meet at Vara has and secured sixth polition. Next year he secured third position in Pun-14b clocking three minutes fifty six seconds. He had to wait for two more sears till he got an appointment with the Rulwiss the All India Inter Railway meet in 1979 saw him win ning the 1500m event at Delhi He repeated the performance next year when besides winning the gold in his tayourite race he also grabbed a silver in the 500 metre event. This year at the All India Open Athletic meet at Delhi he snatched the national crown An ichievement indeed Though at the Pitrili trials the 22 year old Sikh hid clocked 3 min 50.4 sec raising hopes of a gold at Tokyo he could tinish only 14 seconds slower. He recently said. I missed the gold be cause of the tartan track on which I ran for the first time. A four month practice stint on a tartan track would be enough for me to win a gold in the next Asim meet. His coach Kuldip Singh too has high hopes. Sukhwant is a keen leitner and he always sticks to his training schedule', said his coach

Vewsround-up

Capable of improving

NEW DITHI Ateam of young caver age ige 221 years height 1 97 metres) Russian basketballers drawn from the two Siberian Offics of Novosibirsk and Habarovsk, playing in what must be for them, unbearable temperatures and humidit helped reveal the weak nesses of Indian basketball Preparing as we are for the Asi in Championships in Calcutta coming November and the 4 malch nangra s



Wealth tax stiffing genuine clubs

BOMBAY A great percentage of the clubs and gymkhanas in the country may have to close down in view of the recent ruling of the Union Finance Ministry requiring them to pay wealth tax

This particular Bill has been passed by the Parliament Even the President has given his assent This move is bound to act as a deterrent to encouraging sport Considering that the Asian Games are on us it is rather ironical that on the other hand the Government has decided

to gag the clubs

In Bombay, there is panic sweep ing the corridors of the clubs and gymkhanas. The secretaries of these sporting institutions retuse to discuss the subject. While on the quiet they are figuring out ways to wriggle out of this situation. A few of them have decided to bring down the shutters as they cannot afford to pay this imposing amount and hell with the development of sport

Obviously the Government has decided to bring the clubs and gymkhanas under the purview of this Bill because of late there has been a spurt in the formation of clubs where the main activities are gambling and drinking. These clubs have enjoyed tax exemption be cause of their status as sports clubs The Government has rightly decided to clamp down on these so called social clubs but in the process genuine clubs and gymkh i has that promote porting activities have all obeen affected

However some well known in stitution like the Cricket Club of India Garware Club Hou cand Bombas Gymkh ur e ire not dfeeted by this ruling is they are registered is companies. The wealth tax rules do not apply to the

assets of companies

Matunga Gymkh ma has now registered as a trust to claim exemption from this enormous we ilth tax But in such cases it i entirely at the discretion of the Charity

Commissioner Strictly speaking, a club is not open to non members and as such, is not a charitable organisation

One of the oldest gymkhanas in the city the P J Hindu Gymkhana, seems to be the worst hit The wealth tax officer has asked the Hindu Gymkhana to pay nearly Rs 3 lakhs as wealth tax. The gymkha na, which has produced cricketers like Vinoo Mankad and Eknath Sol

kar was formed in 1894

Mr Dilip Sampat the former table tennis player and the current president of the Hindu Gymkhana said 'We collect Rs 3 lakhs yearly through subscription. Through donations another Rs. 3 lakhs. Our yearly expenses are Rs 8 lakhs of which Rs 2 lakhs are taxes Now, as it is we ire in the red for Rs 2 lakhs every year and it we are to be burdened with a further amount of Rs 3 lakhs as wealth tax, it will be difficult for us to survive

Sampat 47 on after thought adds The Rs 2 lakhs detroit we have every veir is covered by the revenue we carn whenever there is

i Test match in Boinbay

Filking about the steps Hindu Gymkh in a is contemplating Sam pat informed. We have appealed to the tax ation authorities to apply recept in tule that permits us to be tic ited is a company for taxation purpo exonly though in effect, of course we will not be a company Otherwise we will have no other choice but to register ourselves as a trust. We are not very keen to form. a trust because of various complication

The ball is now in the court of the Government, It is up to them to I determine who i genuinely encour iging sport. Otherwise these clubs that provide the nucleus of our national teams will have no option but to disappe it from the SEEDE

HARE HISTORIA

Asi in Game in New Delhi next ve ir the visiting Ru-sum - ill but two of them student, here driven bome in portantles on well in time

Yuri Akimo leader of the touring locomotic team is the Societ team. styled it classes edithe Indonte im courageou and capable of improving The u u il polite diplomati utter inces of anest to be might say But Mr Akimov was quite right in his assess ment that our viske thallers are capable of improving

Improvement cin come only after one realise one a drawbacks and rectities them. After the sixth match of the series which ended in a 73 97 deteat for India at the Municipal Committee's (NDMC) indoor stadium here. Mr R. K. Kaushik chief selector of the Bisket ball Lederation thought that poor

mobility and detence were the chief drawback. Our taller players which we do not have in sufficient numbers were not quick enough in moving into detensive positions in fast up and dovin play and that cost the feam many points. India also needs another Hay maker and tender like Hanuman Singh, who makes up with skill what he lacks in inche or rather cen tirretres. Hamiman is always forced to carry his enormous burden all through et raing match without a break

Scring Ajmer Singh who scored 25 out of Indias 73 points at Delhi, the Russians were quite impressed with the Indian Olympic player. Mr Akimov also had a special word for Radhey Shyam Baldey Singh and Zorawar Singh Tike Hanum in Baldes and Zorawar irc short men by basketball

standards They are good at taking long distance shots, provided they are able to manouevre into proper shoot

ing positions

Baskethall is a game for tall men and players under two metres are at a disadvantage espeically in interna tional competitions. But till we are able to find more tall players we will have to depend on those we have However, height is not all Speed and skill also count Sunil Panda taller than even the tallest of the visiting Siberians, Serger Babenko who stood 2 06 metres in his socks does not have the mobility to match. Panda scored 20 points at New Delhi but his slow recovery cost India many more points Consistency is another quality which Indian baskethallers must develop I ven the prolific Aimer Singh is not dependably consistent

After clinching the series at Jaipur on July 1 where they won a close fight it 77.66 the Soviet to im found the conditions better it New Delhi where they played on an indoor wooden surface. However, Mr. Akimov said he had no complaints at all anywhere. Only praise for all the hospitality he and and his boys received.

The stands collapsed at Japur and in the resulting contusion the visitors for a bag containing an expensive camera. But we have been compenated, said Mr. Akimov who would like to remember Japur for the regal ride on elephants and the historical minimument, there tather than any unfortunate incidents. He wished there had been more time allotted to the such tisecourt and been arranged under the tour later all the tour had been arranged under the cultural exchange programme.

After the Russians take the plane home from Calcutta the Indian play er will go back to the coaching camp which began at Patral con June 18 Barely aweek after the camp began two teams were formed to play the Russians at Patral con June 26 and 27 India loang both matche

Iwo days after the end of the first coaching camp on June 27, another tour week one will commence. Mr. Kaushik wished better equipment and conditions could be made as ulable at the coaching camps. The BEI had been told that a wooden court would be ready at Patrala by the time the camps began but the players still continue to train on a coment surface. Also the bills are substandard ind there ire no fibre glass boards. In actual international competition our players are trangers to the playing surface bounce of the ball lighting and the general atmosphere of sophistication these things bring about

I hat is the reason behind the BFI deciding to hold its four week camp in preparation for the Asian Cham pionship at Calcutta After the camp the selected Indian term will be sent on a tour of the USSR and other East Luropean countries

At the last Asian Championships India were fifth behind China South Korea, Japan and the Philippines Be fore their own crowds. Indian basket ballers are hoping to achieve a more elevated status within the continent if they can get the right encouragement and guidance.

A CORRESPONDENT

Parallel PWHA formed

CHANDIGARH After the men it is now women's turn to fight in Punjab With another 'election' held at I vall pur Khalsa College for Women, Jullun dur on June 22 another women is hockey body also styling itself is Punjab Women is Hockey Association has come into being. The old set of officials, headed by Mrs Surinder. Umrao Singh, has termed the Jullun dur meeting as illegal and unconstitutional while the new set allegedly propped up by the Punjab sports officials claims it to be just the contriry. Mrs Singh has threatened to call another meeting of the PWHA. But her former secretary Mrs Karminder.

country Even the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Inaugural Tournament at Chan digarh was organised by the depart ment without the permission of the association

Mrs Dand Kaur the new vice president confirmed that a proper 15 day notice was given to the affiliated units. Besides Mrs Chaudhary, representatives of Jullundur, I udhiana (ourdaspur Hoshiarpur, Ropar and Ferozepore units and the I vallpur Khalsa College for women took part in the meeting. Mrs Kaur presided over the Jullundur meeting.

Moreover many members took lit the interest in the association. She particularly mentioned the names of Mrs Satwant Kaur Sandhu who res igned in 1978 as the president, and Mrs Rava Judge, the treasurer, in this context. Lurther, the joint treasurer from Hoshiarpur resigned during a courtea e. The joint secretary. Mrs Rajinder Kaur left the country to ettle in Lingland.

Mrs Umrao Singh however had said that no notice of elections was



Choudhary has termed the step as needless especially when Mrs Singli had already handed over all records to the new set of office bearers

Mrs Choudhary has also made at at ling disclosures about the working of the PWHA. She said that the Punjab sports department interfered too much in the working of the association. A few matches in the Indo Russian hockey Test series were organised in Punjab by the department without even prior consent of the association. The association did not go to the court because that course would have clashed with the honour of the

issued either from her office or by the secret irv of the affiliated units. Per sons who had unsuccessfully tried to float a parallel body three years ago were holding offices in the new body.

Mr. Umrao Singh Said According to her information no observer of the Punjab Sports Council attended the Jullundur meeting which is a must for all State level election. But the question being asked in ports cricles is whether we are back to the late 70s when a prolonged legel battle gripped the PWHA.

ATISH KUMAH

CRICUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

Replaced a star, took a hat-trick

Replacing in injured Brein Statham in England to they let in a Test match against the West Indies at Leeds stook a hat trick and equalled are cord that had tood for 58 vears in all he took nine relect for Crun in the match and vertelose te claimin, the vicket of all three of the famous. Three W. The to the stee that trick so only the econductic cotto in Englishman in a home to the first bein by a medium. pace Middle exb y leras unst Austra hardsoutled in 1 11 In the Welt Indies for Coming - which yielded only 142 Statham replacement began by removing the redoubtable Gary Sobers 4 when I is Lock the editoric right. and broasht off in increms eatch at les ho

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The Samuel Statemender of world ner Station - epticement ind fied To be a minimum treated bull in Echancely the horocontinuous aket oder dan tier i er Inge near hit Brace Paraude au soft tump and booked Collic Smith around his less in the pad in the overbeton his partner completed the rout, John God daid a brief sonny kamadhin mi adject the locar bar and lated a sently to Truemain at gaine leg and Roy Cilchia 1 a vorked. The hat track ho s forting fields that a fortheinnings and when the Welt Lidie to atted again he took - 0 Finha 0 Walcott (35) and Pur cide in 6

QUESTION
Who was the fast bowler who grabbed his chance to

write his name into the Test record book?

First but rick by in Englishm in in a Test against virtualitien England was

performed at Headingles in the third Te tot the 1899 series

The victims were Clem Hill. Syd. Gregory and Monty Noble

Suggesting they were the three best but a critofull out what trick Denzil Patchelor in The Book of Cricket Said Noble and Gregory were miraculously chight in the lips off the bowler's fister bill ind Hill was clean bowled by one that came backlike a snapped jack Anne Heplayedan

12 Tests and three years before hi hat trick against Australia he took 10 Australian wickets for 60 at The Oval 641 ind 4.19

QUESTION Who was this great bowler?

Encland showlers in the first, home hat trick Te tacHeadingles included mother man who had performed the hat trick is jinst Australia - but in Autralia even years earlier Tragically the Headingley Teltwal his last later bossling on the first day he had a violent tit it i the itre that coning He was anable to play in the rest of the match He made a partial recovery and played again for his County Line ishire a year Liter but he had mother attack included." if the iscoring Described by Neithe Cardus as one of the greate Lot slow lett handed boller he took part in s -51 of them again t Australia. The li st a ited Australia, is times, making runa ella taking acket. His outstand insperformances beade his hat trick ichicved in the second Test of the 1891-92 series in Sydney-- included 12 156 6 49 and 6.87 in the third Test of that series an Adelaide and top score of 121 for England in the second Telt of the 1384 discres in Melbourne

QUESTION IT

Who was this great slow bowler, who in addition to his

achievements against Australia took 15 wickets for 28 in a Test against South Africa giving him fourth place on the list of players who have taken most wickets in a

A hat trick was performed against Pakis tan at Lahore in 1976 by a New Zealand off spinner making his Test debut at 34

Pakistan won the match by six wickets scoring 417 and 105 for four to New Zeil and \$ 157 and 360. The spinner's hat trick was achieved in the first innings. in which he took 3,105. In Pakistan's econd innings he took two wickets. aheer Abbas and Mushbag Moham. maditor 26

QUESTION

Who was the bowler making such a drama tic debut?

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QUESTION 1

Who was the youthful centu rion '

LAST WEEK S ANSWERS

- I Eddie Paynter sholefthe pital toom to England's rescue in the fourth felt of the 1932 O series in Bri bane Tebruary 193 In that serie. England won the first beganning Sydney b. 10 wicker. An traffix in the second in Melbourne by 111 rur - uni-England won the third in Adel ade b 2 runs. After winning the fearth in Frisbane England took the fifth in Sydne be eight wicker. From a played in 20 feet, and scored 1.740 runs at an average 1.50 2. The ter easen was 1457 when he are de 134 caverage 53.775 the easen when he made 322 for lanca hire name. Surex II., early the crun in Esingle Liv hitthin 100 in 11 minute, before lunch 200 in 207 nenutes. 300 in 290 minutes and 322 in 300 minute His highest score in Tests was 244 ig in t South Africa at Durban 1935 39 In the 1955 England Au tralia les son shich he sored 21t not out at Frent Bridge Painter then aged 36 was second in the battime aver use to Hutton-both averaging more than 100 He was only just beaten into tir it place remarkable when it is recalled that in the tinal Fest Hutton made he historic 64 and Paynter made a duck 2 Vijay Hazare
- 3 Yajuvendra Singh in the fourth lest of the 1976 77 India England series in Bingalore Archie MacLaren for Lanca hire ig iin t

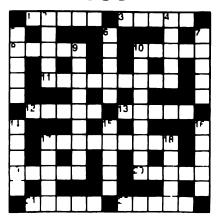
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5 In Australia Charles Cregory of the Comou-Cregory clan for New South Wales 44 first Queensland at Brisbane in 1906. A brother eight years younger of Australian captain Syd Grugory Charles died at the age of 12 In England the next highest score to Mac Laren s 424 is Sir Leonard Hutton's historic 364 in 1938

Crossword

Jones & OPre

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ACROSS

- 1. Recurrent period on pedal (5)
- 3 Advantage in colloquially (3.2)
- H Bade Mia of Calculta football (5)

 10 Coming back he secred the first hat trick in a World Cup football final (5)
- 11. Game that makes money rethe middle (9)
- 12 Delhis per extring all rounder fart crazy (5)
- 13 Men's singles World TT champion from 1949-51 (5)
- 17 Ex English fat bowler has a melly ending (1.17)
- 19 Returning hockey equipment (5)
- 20 Indian footballer fell from heaven in the old Testament (2)
- ∠1 Biblical tenni player (1.1)
- 22 Gymnastic equipment run on the course (5)

DOWN

- 2 Raj Kapoor Moore and Charllon (Imb (5)
- 4. In Ham we find a Pakistanic ricketer (5)
- 5 Table tennis played best in white earthenware (5)
- 6 This trophy in 1940 went behind the Iron Curtain for the first time (5)
- Small statured person measures a margin of racing actory (5)
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- often gives (3.6)
- 10 Birkenshaw spurred this team to victory (9)
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- 15 South America bégins an Indian athlete (5)
- 16 Rumanian woman high jumper who made her mark at the Rome Olym pics (5)
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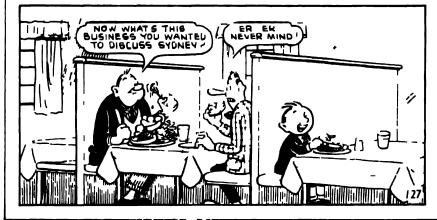
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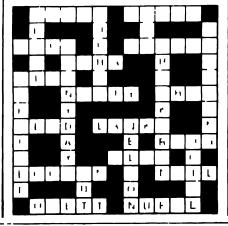








SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO 108



Question box

Pradeep Kumar Mohanty Jaypore

Q Can a bowler change his bowling from left arm to right arm or right arm to left arm in the middle of the over?

A Yes provided he informs the batsman through the umpire of his intention to do

K L N Vara Prasad Madras

Q Give one complete record of A D Gaekwad in Test?

A Aunshuman Gaekwad was born on 23 9 1952 at Bombay He made his debut in the 3rd Test vs West Indies at Calcutta in 1974 75 and in 21 Tests since then has scored 1089 runs at the average of 33 38 with one century (102) 🖩 Ang t Ghost

QUESTIONS

1 Who is the first among the middleweight weightlifters to lift 400 kg?

2 In the semi final of the London Olympics hockey India's centre forward Balbir Singh was asked to stand down in favour of another so that the latter could get a (gold) medal (The arrangement was that a player would qualify for a gold medal only if he played at least one game in the series. For whom did Balbir make way?

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Who wrote the book Brightly fades the Don?

Who was the first woman swimmer to break the one minute barrier for the 100 metres?

Who was the first woman swimmer to break the five minute barrier for the 400m freestyle?

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In a pole vault what happens if the competitor's pole (a) knocks off the bar (b) passes under the bar?

How is the winner decided in the various sprints middle distance and long distance races?

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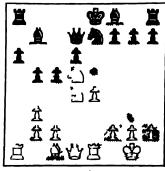
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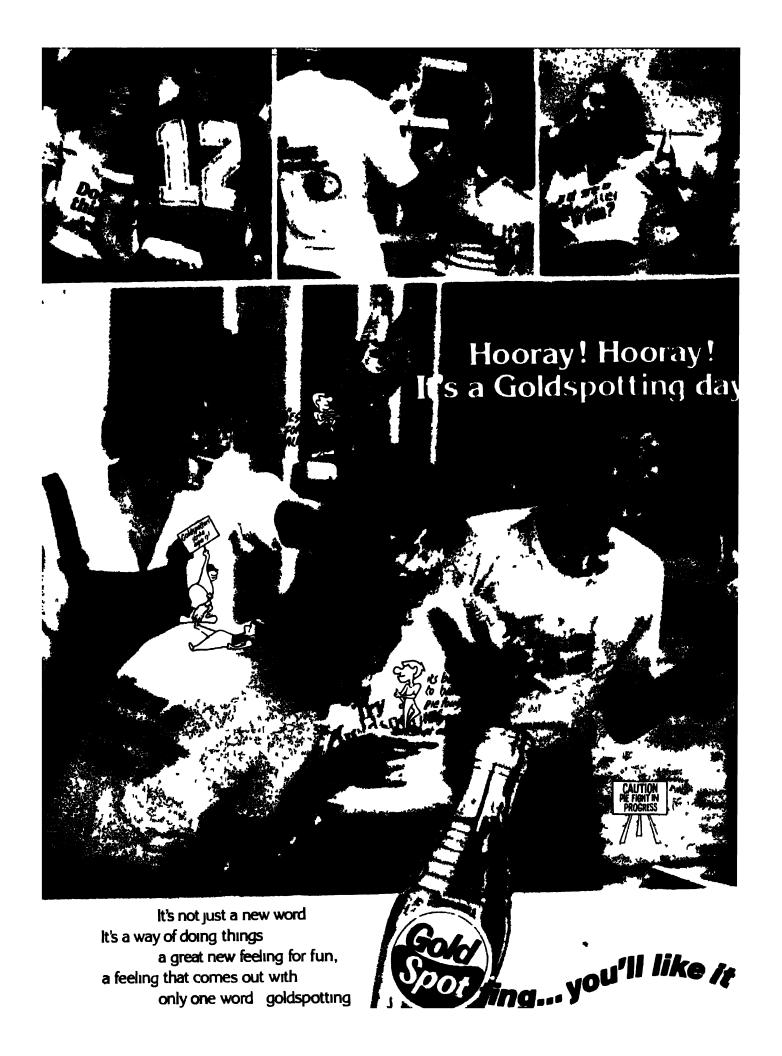
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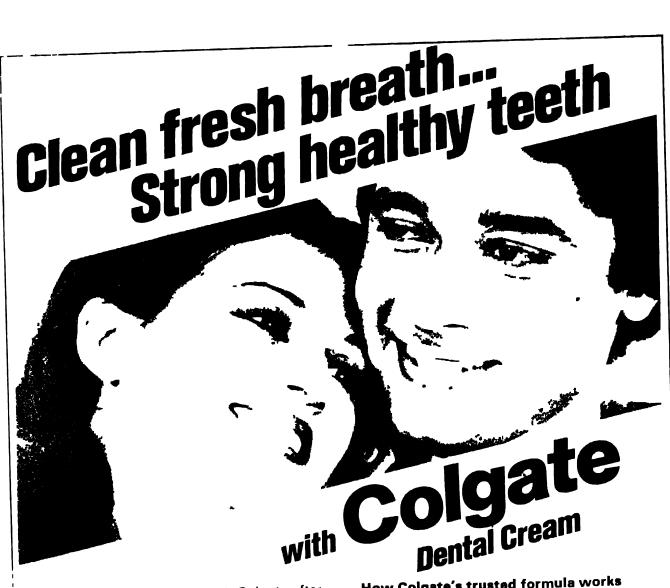


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THE MEN WHO RULE INDIAN SPORT

There are few seats of power but plenty of officials ready to grab them. However finds ASHOK KAMATH the positions of the top few are secure—for the present

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Letters to the Editor

Give their due

MIKE BREARLEY'S Give South Africans their due' was a balanced piece of writing While analysing the different aspects of and reasons for the ban on South African cricketers, he was partial neither to the South Africans nor to other countries His views call for some serious thinking

But while discussing the racial problems of South Africa, he has inadvertently committed a mistake I just cannot understand why he has compared the racial dis crimination policy of the South African Government with the harijan problem in India Although it is undeni able that the harryans are sometimes harassed in India, there is no ban or res triction on the harijans from participating in any sports anywhere in India Nor is any punishment inflicted on those who play with the harıjans

His final suggestion that a world eleven consisting of black and brown players should visit South African is just not feasible unless and until the South African Government changes its policy and gives blacks their due in South African national sports

AMITABHA BANERJEE Calcutta

Be consistent

IT seems to me that Vijay Amritraj could have done better in this year's Wimble don tournament. He was in excellent form this year. The way he deteated Jan Kodes the sixth seed Brian Teacher and Paul Kronk and snatched the first two sets from Connors showed that he had tremendous confidence and determination. But alas! We were disappointed again.

One can say that Vijav is highly vulnerable when it comes to overcoming psychological pressure. I think it he could maintain the feeling after he had won the first two sets against Connors that he had nothing to lose he could have reached the

semi final It would not have been difficult for Vijay to cause an upset if he had maintained the same aggressive attitude with which he had started the match

Although Connors came back with his usual fury, Vijay could have won just one more set with a little more application and resolution One expects him to be more consistent and se rious in his play

PÅNKAJ KR DEBNATH, Bongaon

Borg or McEnroe?

HAVING won the title for five successive years since 1976, Bjorn Borg of Sweden finally lost his Wimbledon crown this year to John McEnroe of the United States of America But the question which arises is whether McEnroe is greater than Borg

I think the exhibition of genuine sportsmanship is of much greater value than in dividual wins or losses Much to my surprise the haughty American super star does not admit this He craves for only victory and nothing else and that too at the cost of gentle de meanour From the first round to the final his be haviour on the court was highly unsporting. In almost every match he argued with the umpires regarding line calls As a result of this he had to pay heavy fines

On the contrary, Borg has established himself as an ideal star in the contemporary world of tennis. His behaviour particularly on the court is such that every young player must try to emulate him. So from this point of view, I would like to say that Borg is still the greatest player despite his defeat at the hands of McEntoe We hope he will regain his title.

MI KI'L BANER JEE Jaynagar

Congratulations!

CONGRATULATIONS to John McEnroe for his scintillating victory over Bjorn Borg in the men's singles final at Wimbledon, thereby ending the long reign of the king of tennis After having watched the live telecast of the match I would say that McEnroe was the better player that day and his determination to succeed wis amply proved by the fact that he never lost his temper in spite of some bild line calls that went is junst him

Indeed his temper and tintrums on the court have been the most important factors in preventing him from reaching greater heights. Although this has been his most successful veir he cinnot exactly be proud of his achievements because he never displayed true sporting spirit in most of the matches and often lo t control over himself In spite of the increasing occurrence of such unhappy incidents the authorities do not seem to be making much he idway in regulating the players behaviour so is to conform to the norm of the game With o much prize money it stike such pett penaltie are not going to affect the professional play ers for the sake of tennis itself the authoritie should take stern steps to control the demeanour of the players

P K SUBRAMANIAM

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IOHN McINROF has proved his critics wrong by winning the Wimbledon men's singles title for the first time. He dethroned the tive time champion Bjorn Borg and registered his superiority in no uncertain tashion. In the 1980 tinal McFnroe went down to Borg (16 75 63 67 86) after putting up a splendid fight Apart from the lead of one set Borg could claim only one game more than McIn toe. This time McEnroe disposed of the former cham pion in four sets with a clear cut advantige from the tie breakers

Thus McLnroe avenged his defe at and ended Borg's run of 41 successive Wimbledon singles victories. By winning the double's crown too in patternship with Peter Heming McLnroe happened a new chapter in the history of Wimbledon. Congratulations to McLnroe for keeping the American flag aloft.

AKHILI SH KRISHNAN Bombay THE inevitable has happened In a thrilling final the mighty Swede Bjorn Borg who has dominated the realm of Wimbledon tennis for the last five years was dethroned by the Amer ican John McEnroe this year The victorious Amer ican emulated the achieve ments of his compatitiot Chris Evert I loyd who won the Women's singles final the previous day beating the 19 year old Hana Man dlikova of Czechoslovakia I or Chris it was a tairly easy victory (62-62) whereas McEnroe had to employ all his resources to topple Borg (46 76 76 64)

It was no doubt a tremendous feit achieved by McI nroe but he will have to control his be haviour and tantiums on the court to carve a niche in the world of tennis Turther by boycotting the official function at Wimbledon McIn roe set a bad example for youngsters which would not be beneficial to tennis in tuture However Borg is capable of climbing again to the top. Our thanks to the Doordarshan ke dra tor arranging a live telecast of the match

VIIAY TOKAPATIY AJAY TOKAPATIY New Delhi

KING BORG has been conquered. His reign of five years in the kingdom of Wimbledon has ended. John McEnroe, the game's bad boy richly deserved the crown. In fact, the could not have chosen a better day to capture, the Wambledon crown, than his country's Independence. Day

Borg played one of the worst games of his careca. He could not get most of his first serves in He missed a lot of lobs and mishit many volleys. He seems to be going through a bad patch Still the Swede was able to bring the match to a close firmsh, and that spoke volumes for his greatness.

Vijay had his best Wimb ledon this year. He entered the quarter finals in both the men's singles and doubles.

Finally my heartiest congratulations to Chris Evert Lloyd After her Wimbledon triumph she is the undisputed queen of the game of tennis Mandlikova the No 2 seed, holds a lot of promise However the biggest disappointment at

Wimbledon this year wathe defeat of Ivan Lendl
P S MONY
Trivandrum

CONGRATULATIONS to Chris Evert Lloyd for win ning the women's single-tinal at Wimbledon after a lapse of five years. It was ar easy victory over Hana Mandlikova who earlier won the Australian and French Open titles

AKHILESH KRISHNAN Bombas

Long live Sportsworld

CONGRATULATIONS to Sportsworld for its contect forecast. McEnroe should win in the issue dated June 17, 1981. I think everyone will agree that Sportsworld is really a magnificent magazine which stands out from all other Indian magazines. Not one magazine dared forecast McEnroes win Also. Divided the McMarkon and Ashok Kamath deserve thank for having done such an interesting interview with Village Amilia at 1 long live Sportsworld.

SHARMISIH 1 MAZUMDAK Sodepore

Congrats!

MY heartiest congratula tions to Bob Willis the great English fast bossler for claiming his 200th wicket in his 55th Test match. He reached this milestone or 15 June the first day of the first cricket lest between Ingland and Au tralia play ed at Trent Bridge when he dismissed the Australian captain Kim Hoghes Willis is only the 15th bowler ir the history of Test cricket to achieve this test. The other who have captured 200 wickets in Test are the five Englishmen -I Truem ii (307) D Underwood (274) A Statham (252) A Bedsel (236) and J Snow (202) the five Australians-D k Lillee (251) R Benaud (248) G McKenzie (246) k Lindwall (228) and C Grim mett (216) -the two West Indians-I Gibbs (309) and G S Sobers (235) and two Indians—B S Bedi (266) and B S Chandrasekh (242)

I wish him good luck in the series against Australia

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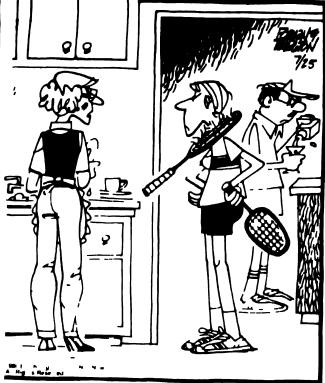


The Sporting Life

Ben Templaton and Tom Forman



WANTA HAYE A LITTLE FUN ?... YOU INTERVIEW SHOEMAKER AND I'LL INTERVIEW JABBAR "



COULDN'T YOU HAVE LET HIM WIN AT LEAST ONE GAME '21'



AND ON THE LAST HOLE, HENDERSON
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TO MY GIRLFRIEND / //



"I'M AFRAID IT'LL BE SOME TIME BEFORE DEAN HARPER FORSETS WHO FUMBLED THE BALL AND COST US THE CHAMPIONSHIP."

Like it or lump it

INDIAN Hockey Federation Presi dent Inder Mohan Mahajan is des troving the prospect of a triumvirate of titans taking control of the administrative affairs of the federation and straightening them out. He believes that all power should be centred in one little dragon—himselt' And he will be paddling his canoe into perilous waters if he doesn't watch out

Some key office bearers of the IIII I learned on a recent trip to New Delhi, are annoyed with his autocratic style of functioning When Mahajan teels that he has been crossed by his treasurer let us say he rushes to IOA President Bhalinder Singh with his tale of woe. This is another irritant The IHL is an autonomous body

Matters have not exactly come to the boil But there are strong under currents of dissent and resentment Those voluntary workers who would like to see the federation function in a democratic manner will try and bring the President to heel it the executive meeting on August 2

No official resolution will be moved but there will be some plain speaking And when the chips are down it is hoped that Kartar Singh's turban will nod the right way arrespective of whether Mahajan is in strumental in the IHI settling his claim for Rs 40,000 At any rate, watch out for fireworks

Familiarity does not seem to breed contempt in certain areas of Indian sport Top office bearers have been known to lean over backwards to give their close associates and sycophants a leg up a good time at the expense of the game and the prestige of the country Ashwini Kumar and Jimmy Nagarvala set some unhappy prece dents

The pair nearly sent poor PC Jain round the bend in 1964 Jain had impressed Rene Frank with his umpir ing at the international hockey tourna ment-the first of its kind-hosted by India in Ahmedabad in the spring of 1962 Jain was invited to officiate at the lokyo Olympics But the IHF preferred to send treasurer Gursewak Singh the Patiala professor instead

Today Mahajan is keen on promot ing the interests of two Delhi whist lers Bhanot (Customs) and Bakshi (P & T) He thought that there was a short cut to the International Grade I umpire— a recommendation from him Rene I rank soon taught him the score Umpires cannot be promoted to the highest grade without appearing for in examination before the technical board of the international body (HIH) India have but a solitary active

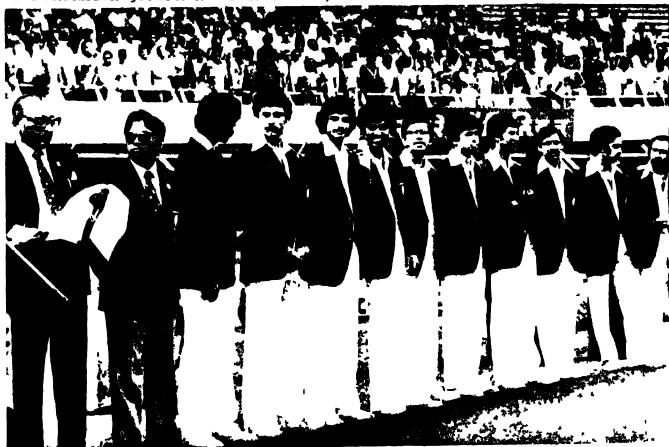
umpire, Mohd Ghouse in the interna tional Grade I category at the moment But nine whistlers-four from Bom bay, along with Bhanot and Bakshi-will be given a chance to earn promo tion during the Fifth World Cup Coach Nagyi, who found the time while on a private visit to Pakistan to watch the world champions' prepara tions for the defence of their title and deliver a lecture or two on umpiring is

among them

Mahajan has succeeded in reviving the historic pattern of four interna tional matches two on either side of the border between India and Pakis tan Bombay and Jullundur have been chosen as the venues for the matches in this country. The BHA however taces a serious problem—a suitable ground. The proximity of the first Test against England with the hocker international on November 21 rules out the use of the Wankhede Stidium The Brabourne has been booked for the Rovers Cup and the BHA ground can accommodate only 20 000 cash cus tomers

The initial reaction of the BHA was to reject the offer to host the international But wiser counsel has prevailed. The match can be played in the splended Municipal Stadium in Thenc The rivil teams can be conveniently





quartered in a five star hotel in the suburbs, say the Centaur or Sea Rock The match will be played on a Satur day and the public transport system is good enough to ensure that those who want to see it can get to the ground on rime

SIAD '82 is an ambitious venture A SIAD 782 is an ambition, venture A Medals will be on offer for as many sports disciplines (21) is at the Moscow Olympiad Instead of tencing canocing and the modern pentathlon the Asiad will have badminton lawn tennis and table tennis. And the competition should be of the highest world class in the two indoor racket games

The organisation of the Games is a gigantic task. There seem to be too. many square pegs in round holes who subscribe to the old gimmick of form i committee if you can't solve a proble m The bure fuct itic mind loves paperwork. And the proliferation of files in the secretarity of the Asiad is astonishini

There is a hitch here and a hitch there in the contruction work Mig.

and sowing time. But the magnificent Village and the stadia will be ready more or less on schedule. The fully furnished duplex apartments—I was quite impressed by them and the architectural design and landscaping of the entire Village complex—will command a high market price. They are an excellent investment

But can the same thing be said about the sophisticated steel and concrete structures which will provide the modern sinews of sport? The capital is the least sportsminded of the metropo litan areas in the country and it would be a great pity if the main stadium (floodlit for soccer) along with the centrally air conditioned multipurpose indoor stadium the ill weather swimming pool and the evel ing velodrome become white elephints for want of judicious use

The organisers seem to have in astonishingly poor concept of the whole ide t of publicity. An independent department or cell under the direction of a skilled professional who 1 int labour poses a problem at haivest. I has first hand experience of the Ol m

pic and Asian Games and proven crea tive ability energy and drive, is urgently required to project the image of the country and propagate the gos pel of the Games. It is the only logical step Cheese paring in this irea is absolutely ridiculous. Come on Buta Singh wake up!

66T HAII umpires I im hated by them in this place selled John McEnroe when he disputed inaccurate line calls to no avail in his semitin il mitch with Austrilia's Rod Fraw les. Nobody has told us whether the tem irk brought the scarlet hue of an over tipe Wimbledon strawberry to the peache and cream complexion of Lidy Drin i Spencer But she did leave the Royal box after the explosive first

The incident occupied acres of space in the British papers. Both Lady De and superbrit McEnroe are hot copy. The British critics insinuated that McI aroc sa antrums sickened her He interior are outbursts were a verbal as sult on the genteel upbringing and the character of the bride to be of Prince Charle

One tabloid sere imed. Beauty and the Best 1 ad Dinnsushered off as Mac throws new tritrum. But the Be note we buck in the Royal box to applied the Perist magnificent four set triumph over Bjorn Borg, who had exed upon do reter with icy disdain and in an et detachment for 41 match es. Bore Enex nething but triumph for tive gloriou ve us. But di ister overtake all champions eventually at Winbledon

Metaroe vi indiscreet enough to cill in umpire in incompetent fooland to address tournament release. Field Holle the Lincolnshire firmer who he vorked wonders with the weather i it idiot. He has been punished with penalt points and lines but has he brought the game to di repute. That Wambledon's verdict No wonder resp. McI nroc teels that John was treated outrageously

Two year 140 Jimmy Connois who despress the British Press refused to utter a sincle word to its representative throughout the entire tournament perhap saving his chagtin over his uneven play for his nightly phone calls to wife Patti who ver awaiting the buth of their first child back in St.

Screw the Press he told staid tourn ment officials at one point And stuff your tournament. The insults were suffered in silence. Why is the All Ingland Club gunning for McI moe who has the genius to enable the United States to regain the Davis Cup' Scarch me

SOME three hundred track and field officerds will be called to Patiala come September for a refresher course. The Vital 32 pinel of officials will be selected from them. Friend Sivia I im sure must be keeping his tingers crossed and hoping that there will be a Neen iz Irani or two among the lot for him to cultivate! He is conscious of his track record. After all he is the AALI secretary!

Jin Mi Enre in fui cry at Wimbedin



Sportsworld Exclusive

More bad news for English cricket

The biggest bore of the summer, says TONY LEWIS, was the second Test between England and Australia which meandered along without any real purpose Also, he points out, Ian Botham should never have been elevated to the post of England captain, while the policies of the national selectors are nothing more than a confused series of U-turns

At stial and oaler to Detrick Lieberh an augmenture mood, with the bot this time—during his innings of 40 not out at Lild's.



THE second Test match was drawn Had England played more positive ly they might have won it, but the remain one match down in the serie of six However, it will be remembered only because the England captain resigned

Ian Botham succeeded Mike Breat lev a year ago He led England in five home Tests against the West Indie and four away, and also in the Centen arv Test against Australia and two matches in the current series Not only have England failed to win any o these matches, but Botham's form also has deteriorated He collected ai ignominious 'pair' in this last Test and walked to the selectors' meeting to tel them that he was quitting They thei informed him that he had been replaced in any case by Mike Brearley

The post Test events with all the padding along the dark corridors a Lord's were much more dramatic that the game itself. Everyone knew what pressure Botham was under and the truth is that he had lost the respect of the players under him. He has batted irresponsibly, his bowling action has gone wrong, his tactical sense is immature and in his private behaviour here due to appear in Grimsby Crown Courch irged with assault—far from the example needed by Inglish cricket Having said all that he is a very nice man who has been thrust into office far too soon. He is 25

So who is to blame, I blame the England selectors who themselve need style and leadership Their team picking over the decade has been at ad hoc jumble of hesitations. Almos all their moves lack long tern strategic sense Last summer, where many of us were pleading for Mike Brearley to stay for the home series even though he was unavailable to tour they stuck to the old tashionec policy of not choosing a skipper for the home scries if he could not make the winter tour abroad. What an irrelevan cy in modern days when so many more Tests are being played. Now, this time they change and say that they do no mind that Mike Brearley has so far declared himself unavailable for the Indian tour this winter England selection is a mass of U turns which, in the end is sending them around in circles

As for the match it began is changeable weather, with umpires dip ping into their pockets for light meters all the time. Over four hours' play was lost, screaming out the necessity for Test matches to be played until the minimum of 30 hours is completed.

An extra day should be added The tourists' programme against the Counties does not hold the attention of the Fifties and Sixties the Counties ever rest their front line players in their games Therefore, all Test matches should have a built in extension of a day, if required

Once play was under way, Kim Hughes having wor the toss and put ting England in on a dry wicket, it was possible to see an uneven bounce of the ball at the nursery end So, for those who bowled from the Lord's

Pavilion, the old ghosts of the in famous Ridge were back as their allies Geoff Boycott was playing his hundredth Test match All Britain wished him the century he himself was determined to get. Not this time. He was out for 17 in the first innings and for 60 in the second

The England butting hero was Pc ter Willey He never looks a fluent player but he is determined and protessional. His asset was his tempera ment Whenever he edged the ball through the slip area he was unruttled and could cheerfully whack the next ball for a glorious four through the covers mainly square of the stumps Mike Gatting too continued the form

of his first Test with 59

Au traffic looked destined for a long spell in the field until the young fast bowler Coott Law en arrived on the scene. He vas the first change bowler but bowled fister than an one in the whole murch Immediately he trapped t Crihim Goech who hid set off it i t tremendoù pace Gooch mishooked beaten by the extra speed. Then I aw son thumped in for the rest of the mnings and ended up with figures of

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stay there lingland were trying to save a game they should have been winning They did not bit quickly

enough but it suited us

True Boycott ground his way to wirds his personal milestone, but his steady style doveraled perfectly with that of the stroke makers. Gooch and Gower New 11 was clear that his sights were on a hundred in his hun dredth Test conly Colin Cowdrey with 114 Test has played more) Luckily he was in partnership with David Gow er These two first played I ngland into a safe position with a partnership of 123 for the third wicket and then have Both im the chance to declare. Boycott got 60 and Gower 59

Australia were left to make 232 to win in two hours and 50 minutes or as it proved in 51 overs. Before they could show whether they were in terested or not they begin losing wickers. After 15 overs they were 1 tor 3 and thereafter were happy to ward off defeat. This they did thanks to steady butting by Gracme Wood

There are four Test matches to come. I ngland under Breatley will not drift tactically. He has the regard of the players and his own form this summer has been good. Hopefully we will not see any more Test matches this summer, which drag on through the five day without plan and purpose in ever minute. This me did

"Sobers is my hero"

HARESH MUNWANI talks to Ravi Shastri, who made a dream Test debut last winter and who will be leading the junior India side on a six-week tour of the United Kingdom

LVEN though he is barely 19 years of age, one could get away with saying that Ravi Shastri has the world at his feet After all, it is not every day that you come across a teenager who has already played three Test matches and in addition is the captain of the

junior team The first impressions about any body can often be misleading and Shastri is no exception Clad in jeans and sneakers, the six feet three inches Ravi is like any other Bombay student Given his innocent appearance it is not surprising that he looks at the world confused and at times out of curiosity There are still many things that can make his head turn. But if you were to transfer Ravi to a cricket field the whole equation would change He would be able to hold his own on that green track in any company. His maturity belies his age

I did not take up serious competitive cricket until 1975. Till then I was having a fling at everything. As the saying goes jack of all trades and master of none? A lot of people have said that with a casual air but few have said that with as much conviction as Ray Shastri

Talking about his early days when he went to Don Bosco School and later to Podar College Ravi said B D Desai Vasant Amladi V S Patil and Hemu Adhikari helped me improve my game

Consistent performances coupled with the fact that Bombay were sorely lacking a spinner helped Shastri make his debut in Ranji Trophy in 1980. He played three matches that year Though he enjoyed moderate success in the quarter final and the semi final it was in the final against Delhi that Rivi reilly came into the national limelight. He captured eight wickets in the final which was won by Delhi. In the second innings he had the impressive figures of 6 for 61.

Next was the tour to Pakistan by the junior squad with Shastri as the skipper of the team. For reasons that have become history now that tour was cancelled. We were all disappointed since it was the first overseas tour for all the boss. But there was some consolation when a tour to Sri Lanka was organised. It was invaluable experience for each of us because you can learn a lot by playing on wickets and conditions which are foreign to you", said Ravi. We played two Tests there

While rain interfered with the first Test, the second was drawn I had eight victims in this Test"

And then, of course, there was this invitation to join the injury hit Indian team, led by Sunil Gavaskar in New

Ravi Shastri returns to the pavilion

Zealand Shastri revealed "I was playing the Ranji quarter final against Uttar Pradesh when a police inspector came to me one day and waved a newspaper stating that I was to go to New Zealand I was extremely excited It is surely the dream of any cricketer to be in a Test side At the same time I was tense because there had been no official intimation to me from the Board I remember when I went to bat in the second innings I had no clue of what was happening I was still in a daze"

"I got out for a duck which meant that I got a pair in that match in addition to being wicketless So I had more than one reason to remember that match

"The thought uppermost in my mind was that I must prove myself I did not want to let down the trust the selectors had reposed in me I was



determined to do well but there was this thought at the back of my mind that if I failed, what then?" Ravi continued "I spent 30 hours travelling from Bombay to Wellington Time flew so fast on the flight that there was no opportunity to react I cannot remember what I did in the plane Before I knew anything I found myself in Wellington where the first Test against the Kiwis was to begin the next morning

"Immediately after I landed, there was a team meeting In India we had heard about Shivlal Yadav's injury But once I got there I found that Dilip Doshi too was not in good shape either It was then that I realised that my hances of playing the Test were fairly bright. The team was to be announced on the morning of the match But the previous night I had the best sleep ever, maybe because I was tired Shastri sighed 'And that's it! There I

was playing for India

For a man playing his first Test Shastri was not a bundle of nerves because fortunately we were fielding so there was absolutely no time to think, you were in the thick of it from the word go Nor did jetlag pose any problems because Shastri a captured six wickets in the match. I had to wait till the 19th over before the skipper threw the ball to me My first two overs were maidens and that gave me a lot of confidence Everybody in the team had a word of encouragement for me In the second innings I got three wickets in four balls. What more can a man ask for in his first match?"

In the three Tests be played in New Zealand, Shastri captured 15 wickets at an average of 18 46 Bapu Nadkarni, the Assistant Manager of the touring team opined. He shaped extremely well All of us were really surprised that a raw player displayed such maturity, particulary in view of the fact that he had been subjected to a long journey before the match He fully utilised the opportunity he got It was nice to see a spinner who could bat also After Bedi the tradition was that our bowlers were not capable of getting runs. In that sense Shastri's entry should be seen as a welcome change

Playing in New Zealand, the young lad learnt his first lessons of professionalism. He felt "their attitude was always positive. In Test cricket you have to learn everything Nobody is going to gift you his wicket nor is anyone going to feed you half volleys on your favourite side that is professionalism. More than anything else, I learnt the value of determination. If they could not score runs they would block. They would wait patiently for the bad balls to score. They would not hit their way out of trouble. Once they had ensured that they would not lose they would the professionalism.

sive in a bid to win"

"Yes, sir, I learnt a lot from the Kiwi's", said Shastri

It is not that Shastri feels that he is through the air. He should hurl the the best thing that has happened to ball a bit slower otherwise he will not Indian cricket. He knows people refer be able to turn the ball on good



Ravi Shastri-promising prospect for India

to him as a detensive bowler. If any other bowler throws the ball at a height of nine feet people will say that he is flighting the hall but it I hurl it from a height of nine feet because I am tall people say I am not flighting the ball Do not forget that I release the ball from a height of nine teet itself. It I were to flight the ball from this position the chances are that it could be hammered Of course, now and then I like to flight the ball just to keep the batsman guessing On good tracks I realise 1 will not be that successful At the moment, I am laying great stress on accuracy Withth control over your variations you can be effective The important point is that you should recognise your limitations and operate within them " informs

What is the professional opinion on this? Vasant Amladi agrees that "Ravi would be a better spin bowler if he flighted the ball but his height is a disadvantage I have suggested that he shortens his bowling strides in the run up But he will have to be careful that this does not upset his rhythm"

Dilip Sardesai, another one with a keen eye, felt "He definitely has scope for improvement. He is too quick through the air. He should hurl the ball a bit slower otherwise he will not be able to turn the ball on good.

wickets Ravi should concentrate more on flighting. He is a tall man and consequently there is a tendency to hit the ground. This in itself does not allow much variation. Shastri must release the ball earlier than he is doing at the moment. This will bring variation in his armoury. But he has definitely improved In addition he is a decent bat which can be of great utility to the team.

Bapu Nadkarni said He is more like me because he bowls the aims trajectory as me. He has the same bowling action as mine. But I would rather leave everything to him. It's too early to say anything. Let him mould himself. Give the boy a chance. He has got age on his side. He has just played three. Tests. We should not be in a hurry to pass judgment on him. I am sure he will learn as he goes along.

Shastri who bowls left handed and buts right handed is ambidextrous in certain functions like writing. I imprimarily taken for my bowling so it is in this specific area that I feel I have to prove myself. I like butting too but the side needs my bowling more. Once I settle down I suppose I will be able to achieve the proper blend. Rays in formed.

'Gary Sobers is my hero. One reason is that I am so much like him. The only difference is he batted left handed. I have never seen him in action but what I have read is very impressive. Any man who has scored over \$000 runs captured 235 wickets and held \$10 catches must be a great player.' Ravi added on the Indian side Vishwanath is my favourite. I like his style, his manner, his elegance.'

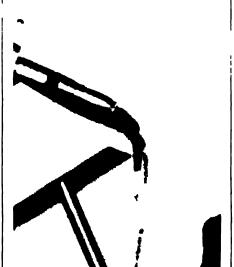
The young India team is to tour England for the next six weeks with Shastri as the captain Shastri ic vealed Six of us Raju Sethi Maninder Singh Khandkai Vishwan ith Saldha na and myself have played Ranji Tro phy But at this level one hears very little about the actual strength of our opponents. So we have no clue as to what we are up against. But I am sure we will give a good account of ourselves. Shastri who has appeared for the Bachelor of Commerce degree this year is shortly to join Nirlon Incidentally this means Nirlon who have not won the prestigious interoffice tournament in Bomb iy for four years will now have Gavaskar Sin deep Patil Ghavri and Shastri in their **ř**anks

I like to play positive cricket Attitudes are very important in deciding your final course of action. As a word of caution Shastri adds. I do not want to say very much otherwise people might feel look at this young fellow shooting his mouth off. I have played very little and I think it would be advisable to be modest. One of the fringe benefits of being in England will be that I will be able to witness the Royal Wedding of Prince Charles and lady Diana. And with what I thought was a mischievous look Raviadds 'If I am lucky I will probably be round two of the bout between Mike Brearley and Dennis Lillee."

The men who rule Indian sport

There are several aspirants for the top administrative posts in sports bodies throughout the country, but those who hold sway are not likely to relinquish power for a number of reasons ASHOK KAMATH investigates what it really means to be among the highest-ranking sports officials





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WONDER if any of the members of Lour tribe of sports officials have ever toyed with such a question during their moments of self-introspection 'Mirror mirror on the wall who is the most powerful of us all?' It any of them ever did the mirror's answerlike the one in 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs of fairy talk famewould have depended upon who was sitting in front of it obviously

In an odd sort of way it has always intrigued me how the sports officials in this country ever wanted to be sports officials in the first place and how, having become one, they re ligiously seek to continue being so I mean there is hardly anything that s worth in tangible terms heing a sports official Like money for a star ter an official is often called upon to shell out from his own pocket to meet expenses connected with the discharge of his official duties. As AVM C.L. Mehta (Retd) Secretary General of the Indian Olympic Association told me the other day in his plush Prigiti Maidan office 'I come to this office at 9 30 am and stay on till halt past one in the afternoon. I don't get a single paisa for this work On the contrary I spend something like Rs 17 every day on petrol alone, commuting between home and office And do you know that if I ask my peon to get me a cup of tea I have to pay for it out of my pocket? The only teas I get tree are the ones I order when I have guests like you "

Think of the umpteen occupational hazards that a sports official in this country has to put up with-mental, physical political, spiritual you name it Running a nitional sports body— sick or otherwise—in a country as large as ours is no joke Imagine the grind he has to go through to reach the top Atter worming his wav up the hierarchical ladder—as member of a club to club executive committee to club treasurer to club joint secretary to club secretary to club vice president to hurray, club president—the next step is through the identical rungs in VC Shukla—lell out of political favou



district association, to the ones in the State association, to the same in the national federation and, hurray again, the day comes when a life's ambition is fulfilled—the chair of president of a national sports federation. It is invariably a long, arduous climb, a perpetual game of snakes and ladders if you don't watch your step and play your caids right.

fhen consider the days and nights on end away from home and hearth, the running around in small circles organising this national championship or that zonal championship, the umpteen trips he is often called upon to undertake to some vague national capitals like Moscow or Montreal, etc spread over five continents. Consider the various rope tricks and balancing acts the various occasions when he has to be all things to all men at all times, especially around election time. Consider all this, and more

What does it all idd up to? More



AVM C L Meht — I do this job as a hobby and the nument I cease to regard I so I II throw it up and get out

grey hair (or if you are unluckier, premature baldness), peptic ulcers, diabetes, high blood pressure, and eventually, an epitaph nailed by some monstrous sports journalists which says 'Here lies a sports official who ruined Indian sport The following were his acts of omission and commis sion one two three etc. May his soul not RIP" May be if Shakespeare was around, he would have got Mark Anthony to say "The evil that sports officials do lives after them. The good is often interred with their bones. No sir, not for the life of me can I figure out why anyone should ever want to be an Indian sports official. Be that as it may, let's return to the question we started out with Who is the most powerful of them all?'

In my estimation the name of Sar dai Buta Singh Minister of State for Shipping and Transport President Amateur Athletic Lederation of India and Big Chief Asian Games 1982,

THE proposed Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports South Centre complex in Bangalore is being strangled by red tape. The ambitious Rs. 25 crores project has been floundering for the last couple of years and at the time of writing, there are very few signs of it moving beyond the drawing board stage. Behind the non starter of a project such as this hangs a tale of a lethargic bureaucracy indulging in hair splitting technicalities and shocking apathy at the Government level.

A little after the NIS South Cen tre was formally inaugurated in 1975, the hunt for a suitable perma nent site was on It may be recalled that the first proposal that was put forward was the one to acquire 75 acres from the estate of the former Maharajah of Mysore This land, with a little imagination and a like amount of drive on the part of the State Government, could have been acquired but for reasons best known to the powers that are, it never materialised and what would have been an ideal location for an institute of sports such as the NIS did not come through

After much dilly dallying and shilly shallying, 75 acres of land was procured from the University of Bangalore, courtesy the Government of Karnataka Three cheers to the Government of Karnataka, hip

The settlement of the land deal has taken something like five years and it was only on March 18 this year that the registration took place and the plot formally handed over to the SNIPES (Society for the National Institutes of Physical Education and Sports)—the body which governs the NIS—as per the terms of the agreement, the NIS will pay a lease amount of Re 1 per acre per year—which, by any standard, is a song So far, so good

Red tapism



Gurbax Singh—Deputy director NIS South Centre, Bangalore

But the curx of the matter is that work has not been started on the construction of the complex and from all accounts, it will be quite some time before the first brick is laid. The estimated sum of money for the complex (Rs. 2.5 crores) has

been sanctioned by the Union F1 nance Ministry and the first instal ment of Rs 33 lakhs deposited with the CPWD This is by itself is quite an achievement for the SNIPES The project is to be carried out in two phases and as per fresh schedules, it should be completed "sometime in 1982"—and given the historical background of Govern ment projects such as this, the 1982 deadline is big laugh

According to Gurbax Singh, de puty director, NIS South Centre, "Work has not commenced because the Central Public Works Depart ment's chief engineer concerned is stationed in Madras, while the concerned senior architect is stationed in Bombay and zonal office under which Bangalore's CPWD comes has recently been shifted from Bombay to Madras" (Does that reason make any sense to you? No If it doesn't, then there is some thing wrong with you You just do not understand the ways of our bureaucracy)

The deputy director is naturally eager to see that the work commences and now appears to be at his wits' end He is keeping his fingers crossed and hoping for the

Meanwhile, someone has come up with a bright suggestion to some how get Prime Minister Indira Gan dhi to lay the foundation stone of the complex Mrs Gandhi is expected to be in Bangalore sometime in August and perhaps she could be persuaded to lend her name to the foundation stone. The logic is that once the PM's signature is there, the CPWD could be arm twisted into completing the work fast. Mrs Gandhi is said to be one of those people who dislikes seeing projects she has inaugurated going to seed. So until then, we'll have to keep our fingers crossed.

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figures on top of the heap With due apologies to Shakespeare again, I think there are three kinds of sports officials in India those who are born sports officials those who are born sports officials those who achieve sports officialdom and yet others who have it thrust upon them Sardar Buta belongs to the last mentioned category. During his tenure as Minister of State for Railways one of his cronies put the bright idea into his head about tunning for the presidency of the AAFI Run Mr Buta Singh did and wo i hands down Naturally no one normally runs against Ministers in sports constituencies at least

Mr Butas rither blind career as · AALI president has been marked by one major feature- a temporary eclipse and subsequent return to the chair-which coincided with his political fortunes and mistortune (4s dur ing the brief spell of non Congress (I) rule) If one nominates to the top spot of the powerful sports officials, pool at is not because of any extraordinary vision and dynamism that he may have displayed from time to time as a sports 1 administrator. It is a simple fact of life that his office as Mini ter in the Central Government his acces to pow ers -high and low small and bigmakes him the most influential sports administrator in the country today. He is known to be able to get things done at the snapping of his fingers at he so de nes





At the apex of the Asian Games organising pyramid sits Mr Buta Singh monarch of all he surveys It is not that he often behaves like a tin pot dictator—people close to him assure me that he is a perfect gentleman ever willing to lend a listening ear and generally never throws his weight around unless the occasion so de mands (Unfortunately, during my brief stay in the capital recently we could not meet as his ministerial duties prevented him from finding some time for a chat)

There is no running away from the tact that if Mr Buta Singh is the man he is today in sports circles if his sphere of influence and power in the decision making level extends far and wide it is only by virtue of the politic al office he holds. Another person who would have run Mr But i Singh close if not pipped him to the post of the most powerful of cm all race is a very familiar name— Vidya Charan Shukla

The rise and fall of Vidva Charan Shukla in the world of Indian sports politics reinforces one of my pet theories that power flows from the barrel of ministerial office. If during

the Janata regime Vijay Kumar Malhotra was a plumb choice to head the Asian Games organising commit tee, when the winds changed by virtue of the political office he held in the government and the ruling party of the day Shukla was the 'ideal choice to replace Malhotra at the helm of the organising committee But in this game of musical chairs (pardon the pun but it could will be called Kissa Kursi Ka) Shukla tell out of political favour and as such was no longer considered the kind of man who could get things done -alas his merits is a sports administrator cannot be proper ly computed because of his sudden downswing in party level. Lortunes in fact never quite gave us a chance to do so. Thus has been himpered the promising career of the man who would be king' in sports officialdom (Shukla continues to hold the pres idency of the Badminton Leder ition of India but visavis the post of 1982 Asian Games Big Chief that post is like comparing a two and chalf bit minorial lord with the King of Eng lindi

The Indian Olympic Association l

(IOA) constitutes an epicentre of sports power. By the very nature of its constitution ats sphere of influence and scope of oversceing national feder itions the IOA is ostensibly the big brother in Indian sports officialdom Naturally, our next two nomin itions to the most powerful of em all are IOA men president Raja Bhalindi a Singh and secretary general C.I. Mehta-

To the scion of the former princel State of Patrala and the retired An-Vice Marshal to the number two and number three spots respectively. Bothof them officially denied that they thought of themselves a powerful sports administrator, and both were emphatic that they were involved with their respective offices of president and ecretary general out of sheet

love for port
Says AVM Mehta I do this is a hobbs and is you know habbies generally do not pay you in the monetus. sense I pend money out of my pocket to discharge ome of modulies is the secretary general In fact I am unpried you have not isked me the question are you mad to continue to want to be an official. Luckil for me-



I have my own job as a consultant to Lockheed Aircraft, which keeps me going financially

Continues Mehta I do this job (secretary general) is a hobby and the moment I cease to regard it so I'll throw it up and Let out Bhalindra Singh expressed more or less identical sentiments vis a vis his job. The common line that ran through the explana tions of various officials as to why they wanted to be sports officials was. Out of love for sports. And we commoners have to take them at their words

Lven if they do not admit it the office of the president and secretary of the IOA carries a lot of clout in sports circles in this country. Like we said before the IOA plays the big brother role of superintending all other ted erations governing Olympic sports and as Mr Bhalindra Singh said. We have to use more of the curot and less of the stick to bring errant federations

around

AVM Meht i refused to believe that a great deal of power has been vested in the office of the president and secretary general of the IOA. The secretary and the president of inv secretary general of the IOA organisation works in tandem and as in administrative or implementative arm of the organisation. As a whole the real power lies in the executive council It is the council which takes all the important decisions on policy matters and the secretary merely implements those policies with the active supervision of the president. Human nature being what it is it is not right to concentrate power in the hands of one or two individuals and as such. I do not think this is the case with the IOA as I



Raja Bhaiinder Singh. We have to use mole carrot and less of the stick to bring elrant lede at ons ar rund

you seem to make it out to be Fourth on my list of powerful sports officials is a relatively new name at the nitional level—Index Mohan Mahajin He is the unchillenged chieftiin of the Indian Hockey admi nistration. To begin with the sign of a powerful official in the making is the minner in which he or she is elected to office. In Mahajan's case he was clected president of IHF in December lityeir—unopposed And what more he was given the mindite to select his own term of supporting officials which again reflects the power he wields in hockey circles today. His

style of functioning has to date not exactly been very democratic and by keeping the portfolio of chairm in of the national selection committee he has given himself additional clout. I do not think any other federation chief enjoys the kind of mandate. Mahajan currently enjoys

One plus point about the IHI presu dent is that he is one of the few big bosses around who has played the game He governs at the isonably high competitive level. Born on September 9 1924 Mahajan spent the formative years of his life in Stilkot Before Partition he turned out for the Punish University and the Punjah State in the Nationals and in his own words came pretty close to playing for India in the 1948 London Olympics. He represented Delhi in the National Ail 1956

It you notice the minner in which he began his presidency you will real ise the kind of power he wields. Probably wanting to maintain a clean slate during his tenure he started from scratcheliterally). He had India scratched out of the Champion Cup tournament and brought in its wike controversy aplenty And more recently la attaire Bhaskiran An offi cial of the IHF once told me of his estimation of Mr. Mahajan. You see basically his approach to dealing with people is rather feudal. In the feder i tion his power is absolute. But there is no doubt that the man really wents to do something good for Indian hockey and he goes about it with single minded devotion. I think that is a fair estimation of one of our powerful men in Indian sports. If he has been feudal in his approach, it stems from the fact that he is used to holding the whiphand to having his order obeyed to taking decisions on his own After all, he cannot help if much of the power he wields as Inspector General of the Central Industrial Security Force wear of on him while dealing with hockey matters

Strictly speaking our list of power ful sports officials ought to end with



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dia versus Spain in the Champions Cup at Karachi IHF chief Mahajan declined to send a team to Karachi this year

umber tour Mahajan But hovering | round the periphery is our claim int o the number five position, the man j rom down south— Sivanthi Adity in te cime to be the president of the olleyball Lederation of India after a icluded the split of the VII into two 1 reside ever the destiny of the game in 1 and AS. I alway his country. Adit in cime in is a ompromise cindidate between the rishna from Andhra and the other d by Mr. Tripathi of Uttar Pradesh.

After taking over the reins of the II some five years 150. Adity in has lowly built up his power base in the ill India set up. Unlike our other four ominees-But a Sinch Raja Bhalin 14 Singh (I Meht) and M Mah i in-Adity in has not entirely been the nch illenged ruler of his organisation I late the LP lobby of the ancient gime led by Trip ithy har been rais ig its uply he id in direct chillenge to dity in But to date he has been able glide over it and take it in his stride nd is seen as a growing force to ckon with in sports officialdom. One ointer has been his nomination to the ost of chef de mission of the last sian Games in Bangkok 1978. His wolvement as vice president in the) A has no doubt been able to win him iends and influence in the organisa

In our selection of the top five, one mmon denominator you will notice that every name in the quintet has

been formally elected to the office he holds But there are others whom I would like to call 'ex officio of power bases-individuals who wield power by virtue of the offices they have been appointed to The names—not neces rotracted battle for the chair which is airly in that order that figure in our scheme of things-ire RI Anind ivil bodies each of them claiming to Sam Maneckshaw S Ramamoorthy

Of the four names, the first two are better known - R I Anand the direc so group one led by Mr. MR I torof the Net in Subh is National Institute of Sports and Sam Maneckshaw president of the All India Council of Sports(AICS) S Ramamoorthy and 15 Film it ite relatively behind the scenes men as the joint secretary(sports) and director of sports respectively in the Ministry of Education Government of India

Whatever his detractors may say about his style of functioning no one normally denies that RL Anands capacity for work is phenomenal. The NIS rightly or wrongly is synonymous with this one time bureaucrat of the Education Ministry Considering the role the NIS has of late been playing in national sports it is hardly surprising that the office of the director has also brought upon itself considerable pow er In the context of the Asian Games in general and Mr Anand's role in the organisational set up specifically it is hardly surprising that he is today regarded as one of the most influential men at the decision making level

Better known for his role during the Indo Pak conflict of 1971, Field Mar

shal SHFJ Maneckshaw was pitch torked into the seat of AICS president by a decree of the Union Government ostensibly to discipline Indian sports. Much hopes were raised when he took over hopes that have not been quite justified when you come to think of it. The problem with Maneck shaw is that he has been singularly soldier like. His detractors have accused him of being a dictator, which considering the their's not to reason why their's but to do and die credo of the military is hardly surprising

With all the big names and big reputations around for anything to move at the level of international competitions it is the Union Education Ministry which comes into the picture. And the two men who run the show and occupy the centre stage are Ramamoorthy the joint secretary and AS Talwar the director of sports Between themselves are most of the decisions-the green signal, the ambor or the red signal to all sports bodies taken. In the main it is these bureaucrats who represent the Uni-Government which is saving i considering the influence of it ernment in anything and ever concerning Indian sports -Ol na Charter or no Olympic Charter A as one official told me in Delhi I en the Board of Control for Cricke in India, which prides itself in beir i the most independent and autonomous sports body in India has to keep these two officials in good humour if they want anything done

Wimbledon: The seeds' graveyard

DAVID McMAHON

Twis Esappose a case of Happy II was a suppose a consultation of the Burney of the Burne McI more July the fourth was the most appropriate day on which the talented young American should finall turn the tables on his rich enemy and take home the title he winted mo tot all

It has been a long time mee in American won the men's anale title it the All I'm Lind Club, in space of the tact that most of the heave eacht among the top ranked player on the ATP computer owe allegance to the Stas and Surpes In fact the lat-American to win was Arthur A heav bo dethroned Jimmy Connor in the 1975. tin il

course. He played brilliant tennis and clawed his way to victory at a stage when it seemed Borg was well set to take the third set on the way to his sixth title. It was great tennisalthough perhaps not as thrilling as the Bork Cennois semi-final but what made it such a great game was the fact that M I more managed to keep that notorious temper of his in check. An outburst could concervably have cost him the title but there were no tintrums that aftern only hen history was m ide

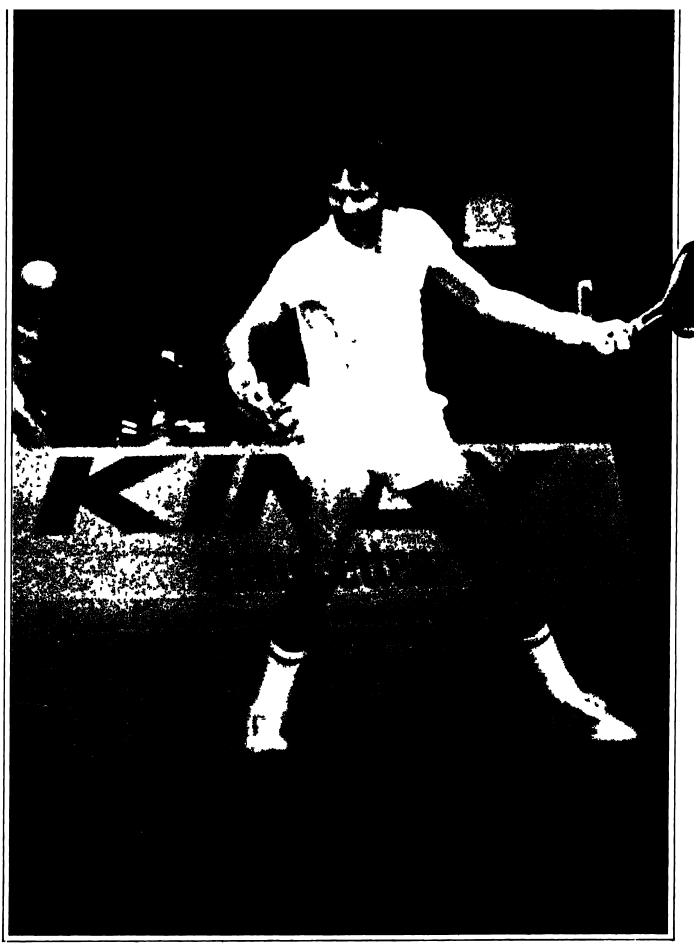
Marina bors watched her husband lose at Wambledon for the first time in her life but she seemed to be willing him on to allist direct recovery concentrating hercely on every single hor placed following the rallies with in Melnroe de erved to vin of lintenity that hid to be seen to be

believed. Ih it old habit of hers, chew ing a stick of gum with terocity seemed to have lost its effect to nothing could stave off defeit. No even the Borg magic

And while his parents wife and couch indimentor Lennut Bergelin sa ind witched the champion log hi crown there was the familiar elderly gentleman in his hittored white has sitting one roy behind. McEnroc+ fither who jumped to his feet in clition after that final point

It was perhaps a fitting end to the story that bekin with the defeat of McI moe in the cpic final of 1980. after which he had vowed to follow Bork to the end of the earth to take hi revenue Revenue followed on the ime court at the sime venue inc before more or less the same people





Match of the year

Beyond a shade of doubt the most enthralling, suspense-filled encounter of the Wimbledon fortnight was that between top seed Bjorn Borg and third seed Jimmy Connors. After it was over, there was speculation among those who have been associated with top-level tennis for several years that it could turn out to be the closest encounter of the Eighties. An analysis of this match has already been published in the issue of Sportsworld dated 15 July, but nothing can capture the true atmosphere of this classic encounter better than a blow-by-blow description. David McMahon reported the match for the daily paper of the Ananda Bazar Group of Publications, which we reproduce here for the benefit of Sportsworld readers.

There can be no other word in the English language to describe the five set battle between Jimmy Connors and Bjorn Borg on Centre Court that ended at 8.34 pm British summer time Borg won 0.6 4.6 6.3 6.0 6.4

This game will probably go down in the history of the All England Club if not that of the game of tennis itself, as one of the finest ever played For sustained pace, brilliance and vintage, nail biting suspense, not even a scriptwriter could have envisioned a rival

Jimmy Connors knew only one way to demolish the legendary Borg and he gave it his all today. For a man who had played a gruelling five setter against Vijay Amritraj two days ago he played like a man possessed. The pundits said he was in even greater form than he had been when he annihilated. Ken Rosewall in the 1974 men's final here.

Connors played the game the way he has always played it—the brutally aggressive way, for he knew there was nothing else he could do The only difference was that he kept up the pace in a fashion no one could have ever toretold

No even Connors himself He played like a one man demolition squad and had Borg rocking in the first two sets He blitzed the defending champion to take the first set 60, hustling him into unbelievable errors. The truth of it was Connors just refused to give Borg time to think, let alone time to move

He attacked from the word go, running down seemingly impossible shots and converting them into winners that Borg just had no answer to He played like a human computer this evening, even winning points off Borg's overhead

Someone in the crowd waved a banner with the legend "Kill him, Jimbo" and the wily number three seed came tantalisingly close to doing just that

It was in the third set that Connors began to crack and Borg took the set 6-3 as he began to find his rhythm even as Connors began to falter. It was a minute crack but it was all that Borg needed Borg wanted time and three errors by his opponent early in the third set gave him time. Two volleys sailed over the baseline and an overhead followed suit and Borg began to find his feet.

Yet, Connors was not slowing up He kept going at the most incredible pace, trying to sweep Borg off his feet He played scintillating tennis, bringing off some spectacular volleys that caught the champion on the wrong

foot Borg tried everything he knew A compulsive and talented baseline player, he tried storming the net but Connors gave nothing

In the fourth set, Borg had an easier time, breaking Connor's opening serve and then going on to a 6 0 shutout. Yet, at no time in this set was the outcome a surety. Every point was fought tooth and nail. There were no easy points in this set. For that matter, there were no easy points at any stage of the match.

So, at two sets all, Connors began serving in the fifth. It would be impossible to capture the tension of this crucial set without describing the run of play

Connors serves in awesome fashion holding at love 10

Borg holds in turn 11 Connors serves from 040 down in the third, drawing level Borg fritters away his fourth break point putting a backhand volley into the

net Connors holds 21
Borg leads 4015 in the fourth game Connors draws level forces a break point Borg neutralises this with an ace, his twelfth of the match Connors wastes yet another break point Borg loses a game point then scrambles to convert another 22

Connors is down 0.40 vet again in the fifth game. Incredibly he draws level at deuce for the second time in succession. He forces a game point and volleys to take the game in yet another back to the wall situation. 3.2

Borg holds 33 People are fainting in the stands The umpire appeals for silence Policemen take

up positions

Connors is down yet again 0.40 on his service. He takes two points but Borg gets the next to earn a vital break 4.3 in favour of Borg and the tide is beginning to turn.

Borg serves two aces on his way to a game point Connors draws level and hits a brilliant volley Break point to Connors A scoiching Connors drive hits the tape and drops back Deuce

Borg hits into the net Break point to Connors again

Connors lists a forehand drive over the baseline Deuce

Borg aces him on a second serve Advantage Borg in what is obviously the most crucial game of the match Connors hits a wild shot 5 3 to Borg

Connors holds but time is running out for him 54

Borg serves for the match completing an incredible victory with a volley after drawing Connors right off the court

The tragedy, for Connors, was that he would have beaten anyone in the world today

Not Borg



McEuroe had been the fly in the ointment throughout the fortnight, cursing, shouting and generally behaving like a boor, but all of a sudden he was an international hero

HERE are a host of other memories I that live on even after the tourna ment, retusing to recede The memory of mercurial Ilie Nastase, for instance The man who had always scorned authority who resorted to baiting umpires and linesmen on several occa sions in his illustrious career, was in great form again The man who patented the two finger salute on the tennis court had a horde of loving admirers around his court for his first round match-which he ultimately lost

He wagged his tinger at the umpire, he screamed insults at himself he asked people in the crowd it they would help him overcome his opponent and even went so far as to show his distrust of the electronic eye that supposedly distinguishes between shots that are right and those that are out

He thought a shot by his opponent was out. The machine thought it was right Nastasc was in a dilemma. What could he do to a machine? Hc certainly couldn't argue with it so he did the next best thing instead and stood on it doing a little war dance for the benefit of his camp followers

Then when a linesman irritated him - ind by this stage it was obvious that he was on the verge of losing inyway--he caught hold of a police man in the crowd and implored him to arrest the official in question Of course these antics did not cause as great a flutter as his on court changing of a pair of tennis shorts a few years ago but it was all good fun for the holiday crowd

The last time I saw him he seemed to be asking a spectator for an auto Lraph!

Then there was the young visitor who went home with a tennis ball. The story of how he managed to do that bears repetition. There were always a number of people milling around in the area between Centre Court and Number One Court on the one hand and the outer courts on the other and the day Vijay Amritraj played Brian Teacher was no exception An atro clous lob by the sixth seed bounced out of the court enclosure and landed amidst some startled spectators on their way out

A number of them walked past the ball as it bounced but one of them darted across and picked it up. In a fit of honesty he waited for someone to come up and claim the ball but no one did and he realised that the ball was his if he acted quickly enough Slip ping it into a bag and fighting hard to suppress a smile, he walked out of the All England Club as though nothing had happened The pity of it was that he probably did not even know who was playing on the court in question

And how can I forget the Royal



Two faces of royalty. The Duchess of Kent and Lady Diana in the Royal Box

Press Box on Centre Court? His weath er predictions were always better than anything BBC had to offer I fail to recall exactly how I got into a conversition with him but he did tell me one sunny afternoon that it would probably rain in a couple of hours Naturally is did and I fell into the habit of asking him each day whether we would have any holdups for rain The BBC could say whitever they liked but if my guru said it was going to be cloudy the next day I knew whom to believe

Another story that bears repetition is that of the lady who used to help out with the Pre ticilities A blonde, she decided during the tournament to dye her hair in the tashion of a punk rocker and so turned up at the All England Club sporting a startling pink rinse. A security official spent several minutes trying to humour her at the gate unimpressed by her claim that her identity tag had not been forged She did manage to get around him though

AMONG the players, Jimmy Connors covered himself with glory and though he did not figure in the men's final this championship alone probably went a long way to ensuring his stature as a Wimbledon hero for years to come Thirty years from now he might visit Wimbledon paunchy and heavy jowled, his hair more white than grey, but people will stare at him in admiration as they have at so many great tennis players who have come back to visit the tennis Mecca

As they crowded around Neale Navy officer who was on duty in the I Frazer this year, they will surround Connors and shake his hand Probably someone will ask tor his autograph, someone else ask him to relate the tales of long forgotten battles Yes, Jimmy Connors is a hero at Wimble don now There can be no doubt at all about that

The patrons of the All England Club never really forgave Connors for his brash image of the Seventies If Connors was playing most people would root for his opponent rather than back the young man who cared a whit about how he conducted himself on court But the worst insult came in 1977, Britain's Jubilee Year A special parade had been planned and all for mer champions were to be presented with special medals but Connors chose to bypass the special ceremony preferring instead to get in some practice on one of the outer courts. It was the lowest thing he could have done to the British public at any time. In 1977 it was simply unforgivable

But all that was four years ago Connors has matured and the bad boy of the circuit is now John McEnroe It was a more sedate Connors we saw this year a cool, calm Connors who played the best tennis of his career and who conducted himself like a perfect gent leman For a long time it had seemed as if the Connors magic was burning out dying a natural death, but he proved with this tournament that he is far from a has been First there was that brilliant five setter against Vijay Amritraj laced with the most unusual brand of humour and good natured fun A grand victory, a recovery from yet another hopeless situation This truly was a match which the Centre







Court crowd loved and which indeed Connors himself will probably look back on for year to come

Then there was the equally tense semificial against Borg when Connors blitzed the defending champion taking the first set without allowing his opponent a single game. Most spectators would have voted this the best match of the entire tournament. But Connor, had proved his point. He was a gantlem in tennic placer and will always be regarded as such by those who make they early pilyrimage to the All Lugland Club to behold the finest show on earth.

THERE were disappointments too for several seeds lost in the early stages of the men's diaw. Indeed the third quarter of the draw had only one seed. Ro coe fanner aremaining after the first round and he too erashed soon after to Carlos Kannaya in the second. This naturally deprived the crowd or a battle bet seen two seeds in

to his opponent on a plate, conceding the second and third sets 60 60

Another sensition was the first round deteat of Ivin Lendl at the hands of Charlie Emeutt One journal ist who had been watching a game on one of the other courts in turned to the Press room to find out Lendl's margin of victory. He saw instead Lancutt's name on the board and refused to believe this insisting that someone was playing a prink until someone give him a copy of one of the cyclos tyled handouts from an interview with the victorious Lincutt Lendl who had lost to borg in the final of the French Open was expected to do are it things it Wimbledon but unfortunitely he will have to wait till 1982 now

A MONG the ladies Chri. I lovd was by far the most impressive. It is clear that the British are warmer to wirds her now than the were before her marriage to John I lovd and judging by the way they reacted to her

Tracy Austin during her second round match against Lea Antonopiis

the ecoud semition I is Rod I rawley emerged into the list four. This was a slow game although I rawley played spirited tennis but it just did not have the class of a Wambledon semitional

There were other upsets too Cuillermo Vil is of Argentina went out in five cets to builty Mark I dmondson of Australia in a ding dong five setter that had the Centre Court spectators enthralled Victor Pecci also went out in the faist round anexplicably chough to unfanced Bill Scanlon of the United States Pecci had displayed the full range of his strokes in the opening stages of the farst set but then he seemed to be upset by a couple of line calls and his game went to pieces. He refused to chase lobs he muffed volleys and literally handed the game.

victory in the final one would have thought that a British girl had won the title. It was her seventh final in nine years but afterwards she dispelled any notions on the part of the Press that she would be giving up tennis to start a No. I have no such intentunul she said. I'm not even pretions gnant! But she did raise Liughs galore when she is marked that I vonne Caw les had said after last som stinal that she would not be having any more babies And look where she is now she concluded with a broad smile

She was the most consistent of the ladies. There were no apparent flaws in her game and her baseline play was as desistating as ever. No tantiums no concentration lapses, just a fierce will to succeed. She won the title

without dropping a set in the process and though this is being written long after the championship let me truth fully say that she looked a winner all the way

Martina Naviatilova searching for the form that brought her two consecutive titles ranginto problems with her concentration from the opening round and never really came to terms with this trouble. Besides as it that wasn t worrying enough her volleying lett much to be desired. A baseline player like I loyd can afford to have problems with her volleying but not an instinctive serve and volley player like the strong Czech kul who is on the brink of becoming an American citizen. It took Hana Mandlikova the French Open champion three sets to put Navratilo valout of the championship, thereby pitting the two top seeds against each other in the final as was the case in the men's section

Mandlikova is a Wimbledon cham pion of the future. She withdrew from the doubles events because of a back injury but continued in the singles ilthough she had been medically idvised not to do so. She started cautiously careful not to strain herself in the first round but griduilly work ed herself into peak form. Did she peak too early then? No it was her own nerves that best her in the final but chough has already been said on the score. She is a compact player powerful on both sides even though she is very slim. She move, well on the court and it a pleasure to watch in any situation

The Wimbledon title would have been her third step towards the Grand Slam as she already had the Italian and French titles under her belte but that was not to be and her parent buried their heads in their hands to avoid seeing their daughter lose. Man dlikova had specially rung them after her semi-final and asked them to fly out to watch her game again talloyd. Inter however, the determination to come back and succeed displaced the disappointment at having lost. Yes she will be back.

McEnroe and Fleming look many veirs to come although the top honours on the circuit seem to be shired regularly between this combine or the Lutz Smith and McN imara McN imee partnerships. McEnroe and I leming last won the Wimbledon doubles title two years ago so it must have been sweet revenge when they put Lutz and Smith out in the final this year with comparative ease.

Which brings us to a very important point. Is McEntoe the most talented player among the men? At present there can be no doubt about that Today the top players prefer to concentrate on singles alone and give doubles matches a bye. Yet McEntoe hungry as ever for any kind of title continues to play singles and doubles with the same degree of proficiency.

Shall we say then that he is going to emerge as the most versatile player of the Eighties?

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CALCUTTA LEAGUE

Mohd Sporting cross a stiff hurdle

After they defeated East Bengal, Mohammedan Sporting overcame a testing obstacle when they beat BNR by the narrowest of margins Mohun Bagan dropped their third point when they drew against Behala Youth, but showed signs of improving The same, however, cannot be said about East Bengal, who have not been impressive at all SUBHASH SARCAR and SARA-JIT DEB report on the matches



A heading duel between Shabbir Ali and Prakash Biswas of E. Railway

MOHAMMEDAN S.C. Although Mohammed in Sporting Transed in tour goal as unsitted a left right. a good morale boo ter before the crurd to remost lat Bened then deep detence and Thickir Conguly did not lick ill cay comfortable. In tact at was the first time that the home ade was kept busy. One a Torced to idmir however that Bhackar Cangul. came out with than colour. Had there been in one cle beneath the but the muran of victors could cencervitals have been 4.2 although Mohammedan 8.0 mi sed everal although 1 chances through trikers Akbar and Shabbir Ali who diplied poor maksmin hip

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had black a at his more but my goalkeeper hoved keed inticipation. and foiled the chance and Moham med in S.C. coach Satta adding. Of coacse we mis ed a lot of after other are we could have been eacht or nine rods up. That the Telegraph side fuled to core yie due clely to Lip c b then for yard.

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Aktivity header heads the publifielthed hands of Saray Raida and with the Existent Hailway goal







by a protest by the visitors Akbar's shot hit the inner edge of the cross piece and as the ball landed on the ground custodian Somkumar Deb collected it However the linesman signalled a goal to referee Sumanta Ghosh The Telegraph side immediately surrounded the referee but good sense prevailed on the part of the club officials and coach Sumil Vindi and the game was resumed

After resumption the home term scored three times through Akbar and M mash although Shabbit signal came of his second attempt. The spadework for Akbar signal was done by wing back Aloke Mukherjee who moved up and took a shot from the top of the box. The ball came off of Somkumar's hands and Akbar nodded home. Main ash signal, which came off a Shabbir pass must surely have gladdened the core, who was not being properly ted hatherto.

They then won the battle against mighty I est Bengal their first such victory in several veirs, but their next encounter proved that they were out of breath a unst Bengal Nagpur Rail with The latter restricted them to a solitary goal win as the Mohammed in SC ide comed druned after the List Bengal come which had taken place only two dropreviously Said Sation. The fateur till persisted itter the big match. Or course, we did get a few chances in both halves but m forwards just could not capitalise on them. Persont uplived well do pite his inkle injura and kept the midfield gong The best chines BNR rot was due to a lapse on the part of Aloke Mukherice However ich is a narow sh we

Mohammed in S.C. did win but it vis a lack lustre match teaturing pur po cless football. However, Manash and Bidesh literally made the opposite wing back, dance, and the home team.

could have taken a lead in the early stages but Manash, toyed with a defender and centred only to see an Akbar header miss the goalmouth. Akbar however did head home the match winner when Bidesh after making Subtata Das dance around inside the box lobbed for Akbar to nod in with all the time in the world. Bidesh too was unfortunate in scoring from close. Had he tried for the far post he would definitely have scored.

That was all for the home team though Prasanta volleved off an Uttam Mizumdar cross for BNR custodian At anu Bhattachary a to fist over. This occurred after a Birb abu shot rebound ed off the cros piece with bhiskir hopelessly beaten. After the match BNR couch Debu Ghosh said I was really surprised by my team's perform. ince. This was probably due to tension. The match was indeed in important one but there y as a great deal of tension prevailing ance Mohammed in SC are now in the running for the ch impionship. My medios were hope less, and there were far too min instances of mispasses. I think it Susant's Ghosh, the left stopper, had been a little more alert he could have toiled the Bidesh chip. We had one breathin space because their defender did not perform up to expect i tions

THE home team met the last of the railway teams in their 17th encounter this time making mincemeat of I ast ern Railway. They scored all four goals after resumption but they had plenty of chances in the first half as well. In the first half we beat them on ground tactics. That is why they could not do much," said Eastern Railway coach Prabir Mazumdar. He added. We really began well. On the whole my torwards played well but could not utilise the opportunities that came their way because they were not sharp.

enough This too was because our team has yet to blend youth and experience'

The Mohammedan's C side looked altogether more business like in the second session and the forwards looked menacing indeed Akbar opened his side's account off a Manash flag kick header only to miss another a couple of minutes later. He missed a third when his lett footer rebounded off the crosspiece and an onrushing Shabbir missed narrowly.

Manash Bhattacharva was the most unfortunate among the attacking line as he failed to score despite desperate attempts to do so He did however, display some of his originality when he centred for Shabbir to head correctly Akbar went one step further towards the honour of the highest goal getter this season when he headed home the team's third goal off a pass from Manash to Shabbir A minute later, Mohammedan SCs second keeper, Amit Guha replaced Bhaskar Ganguly tor the second time this season, although he was not really tested. The Eastern Rulway coach had this to say when the first three goals came off headers In the second half they took command of the match and truly beat us in the air This proved our undoing, especially the tactics of Akhar and Shabbir who ably were aided by the wingers coming onto the scene after lemon time

The fourth goal by Bidesh off a combined move with Prasanta was a tre it to watch. The fourth goal was the best scored by the team so far, the sort of goal that was long overdue. Coach Sattar agreed. The Prasanta Bidesh move which ultimately shaped into a goal was superb. But today the team played better football. There is no doubt about it said the Mohamme dan S.C. coach. By way of conclusion, the supervision of the match by referee. Tarak Sen was most appalling.



IN an earlier issue of Sportsworld one snip pet in this column dwelt on the sad state of affairs that prevails on the Calcutta Maidan when a play er is seriously injured in the course of a match During the Mohun Bagan Mirzapur Union encounter the Mirzapur custo dian Shanti Nandy was seriously injured while trying to save a goal

Mihir Bose took a shot and I fisted it away But the ball went to Francis De Souza who scored the goal Just is the ball was about to enter the net someone's boot hit me on my torehead and list irred bleeding After being given first aid I was rushed to the SSKM Hos pit il Shanti i recol lected. But what happened it the Government hospit al is mother story. He was taken to the emergency ward but to his dismay had to wait for quite some time before he was given atten tion

The Government in this State takes a great deal of interest in football but priorities should be main tained. First and foremost it should be ensured that players are looked after propoerly a pecially when they are injured and have to be taken to a Gov.

Maidan musings

ernment hospital Can we expect some improvement in this regard?

O Samaresh (Pintu) OChoudhury ultimately did figure in a game. In their match against Sport ing Union East Bengal were up by two goals in the first half and about ten minutes into the second half there was a loud cheer as Samaresh en tered the field (not the playing arena) we aring his familiai number 18 jersev He did some warming up exercises on the sidelines. and it list stood next to coach Santo Mitra obviously to replace some one

Just then Jamshid Nassiri was injured and Santo Mitra rushed onto the field to attend to him. During this period. Sam iresh went and sat on the bench on the sidelines which is kept for players and officials wairing for his coach to come back and make the replacement. The supporters howe or thought otherwise and started showering Santo Mitra with the choicest of invec

tive They reasoned erroneously—that Samaresh would not be playing However, after attending to Jamshid the coach came back and com pleted the substitution, putting Samaresh in place of Somenath Banerjee

His entrance was loudly cheered ind whenever he got the ball there were shouts of Guru guru He managed to score a goal playing as a left winger and after that he became the darling of the crowd Two incidents will illus trate the point. On two occasions I ast Bengal were aw irded a free kick in front of the opposition's go ilmouth. Both times there were full throated shouts from spectators urking that Samaresh be illowed to take the shots but it the lit monent Limshid came forward and took the free kick re ceiving plenty of un favourable comments in return. It was definitely a grand home coming for Pintu

MANY hurdles had to be overcome by the Punjab custodian Surjit Singh before he could play tor the Railway Football Club Cilcutta He had sought in inter State transfer but his previous club Jigitut Cotton and Textile Mills created a lot of problems for him Ultimitely everything was settled and he got himself registered with the Rail way F C Incidentally it was the same day on which Pintu Choudhury got him self registered. Surjit play ed his first match against Mohun Bagan and per formed quite creditably But Surjit's inclusion meant that their number one go ilkceper till then, Santosh Bose, had to sit on the sidelines. After the match Santosh said It Surjit had performed bet ter than me and had been chosen I would not have had anything to say But do vou know why I was dropped. The otticials brought the charge against me that Mohun Bagan had fixed everything with me This is a talse accusation

and nothing else Just be cause I have friendly relations with some of the Mohun Bagan players this does not mean that I will let in goals intentionally If that had been the case, then all the matches would have been fixed because we, players, are friendly even with those of the rival teams. This was very untair."



Silve Jaffe the Military air

Propre in general we superstitious But play ers up by the the most super titiou Sport sworld No embers 1980). Lootball placers are note ception Either they were enumber of rings on their finger or their terses shave aparticular number that had been ontheir backs for year angle so on People in Calcutt had become accustomed to ceing Md. Habib in his Limili ir number 10 jersev over the years. Four year igo when Pelc came to Calcutta people said that he had done justice to the jerseventter ill Pele al o wore the number 10 letses; But this year he no longer wears the num ber 10 jer e, Hisnew jersey number is 26. There is a reason for that. He was in Mohun Bagan in 1978 and used to we at the num ber 10 jersey but when he left the club the following year Xavier Pius took o er his number Navier i till in the team so Habib has had to find a new jerses for him elf

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IAST BENGAL In the mitch just before the vital the against Mohammed in Sporting it was quite apparent that the last Bengal toryards were failing to play as a te in Though they be it kum it tule > 0 the did not fer one moment look like i ell buit ide That coach Santo Mitracontinues to face a problem with the wine we quite clear when he replaced Somenath Builties and brot ht in Priti Ghoshal But the chance Firdl made my difference. A am it was the framem due that curred then term through. The first and we by Jim hid Nas in CD Trunce out a centre from the right wine which was be intifully chested down by Marid Basker and all Jamshid had to do was put the ball in from close rince After the change of ends Majid further con-olidated his team's position when his hot from the top of the box found the net. He was up un instrumental in the third goal when from his centre. Jam hid heided in Couch Sinto Mitri cemed worried

The next match is very important to us but my forwards are till not combining proped. It would have been ideal if I could have played It meis as a striker but is it is I have no wingers so I have no other ilternative but to continue using him as a striker. I brought in Priti because I winted to try him out before the crucial match, but he also failed to make in impression.

Is the match after the Mohammedan Sporting the again t Sporting Union Lit Benjal adopted the 433 tormation for the first time this seison. One had thought that the would do so earlier because they have three good linkmen in Amality Joseph Machado and Fareed Thi tactic paid off because there was definitely more mobility in the term Another fact which should also be mentioned is that Mand did not play in the match, but this still did not cemto affect the movement of the team It visig an Timshid vho give his ide the lead when the ball entered the net after touching his leg from a goalmouth melee off a Premiath Philip lob. The first goal vi soon followed by the econd when from a Amilia lob another scrimble took place in front of the goal liest Somenath missed then it was Limshid's turn and finally Machado managed to put it in Veterin Samaresh (Pintu) Choudhury replaced Somen ith and scored the third gold for his side. He willed with Michido and shot in from close

My players failed to planaccording to the instructions given to them. On a wet ground you need to play a different brand of football and my players failed in this respect. Of the three goals: I would say the last two could have avoided at the custod in had been more agile. The fast yas due to a misunderstanding among the

defender — Sud Sporting Union coach Dilip Paul

List Bengal coach Santo Mitra said This was the first match in which I will able to experiment with the 4 s 3. formation because we have hardly anything it stake in the Leakue. It worked well as there y is a lot more mobility in the team. All he players moved up and down to help the others. Another thine which we noticed i that in these matches again to the junior sides it is the cite in that have upremies in the midtield because the have an additional placer there That was not the case toda. I brought in Similesh in Cheesing Lymfed to see how he had haped after the long Livoot He ha been practising regularly but playing a match is different

On the eve of their tie is in the Mohim big in the home teams ive in insipid displatis and the Police. There were a few charge in the side that had played as unst Sportin. I monibut that did not help than, at all They adopted the 4% formation again but there is no not move ment a evident on the earlier occasion. Though they missed a few charge, the 10 actory vis a fair index of the match.

Even before I ext bened got that at all breakthrough they could have been down by a got Partha Boe the Police traker beat Monorunjan Blatt tach as a near the midfield of the

feint sped towards the East Bengal | goal and had only the custodian in front of him But Joseph Machado came to his team's rescue and cleared the ball at the expense of a corner, just in time. A few minutes later hast Bengal got their match winner through Somen ith Banerjee Jamshid headed a Thomas Mathew centre which evaded the outstretched hands of goalkeeper Drepak Birua and all Somenith had to do was to put the final touches

I ven the introduction of Samiresh and Majid in the second half did not help fast Bengal play cohesively that was because of the injuries

said coach 5 into Mitra. Most of my key players were injured and that is why I was forced to make so miny changes. It was a disappointing show on the eve of the big match but I think if the chances that came our way had been converted, we would have won by i bikkei margin

MOHUN BAGAN After their barren tie against Railway Football (lub the home team looked as it they meant business in their next match against Calcutta Gymkhina Their forwards combined well and had not the post and crosspiece stood in the way, they would have notched up a more impressive margin of victory. Ultimately they won 30 Mihir Bose and Xivier Pius being the scorers. Mihir got the first goal from a combined move by Arup Das and Navier but the ball had touched the post before entering the net

The crosspice played a hand in the second goal A centre from Aruo touched the woodwork and went to Xavier who mide no mitike. The

very close range After the third goal, efforts were made by the Mohun Bagan players to get another goal through \avier and in the process a host of chances were wasted Said Gymkhana coach, Pyer Ali 'The first goal was our bad luck because the ball had deflected and our goalkeeper could do nothing The next two could have been avoided it our custodian had been more agile. Overall, my play ers did not perform badly but that cannot be said about the Mohun Bagan players. One expects much more from them'

Mohun Bagan coach Sankar Baner jet did not agree My forwards com bined well and could have got more goals especially in the second half, but they winted Vavier to get a hat trick

In their next match, against Behala Youth Mohun Bagan dropped theu third point in the League and let in two more goals. In fact, they were down within the first 10 minutes of the mitch when Sintanu Kaimakar > 20 yard shot hit the top of the post and went in leaving custodian Pratap Ghosh starding The Behala forwards especially Raja Chakravaity played h woc among the Mohun Bakan defen ders. On two occasions he got the better of Subrata Bhattacharya in one to one situations which seemed to unnerve the stopper who had a very poor match

After the interval Mohun Bagan equalised through Navier who beat the goalkeeper from close after latch ing on to a Ulag mathan pass. But soon after Behala Youth again shot into the le id this time through Prasad Farat dar. This was a long range shot which third goal also by Xivici was from Just touched the crosspiece and went in Mohun Bagan tried desperately for the equaliser which came through Xavier from a goalmouth scramble

Mohun Bagan desperately wanted to get into the lead It did not seem sensible to replace Md Habib, who was just getting into the feel of the game Subrata moved up and all he did was waste the best chance of the day (in the dying minutes) when he had only the goalkeeper to beat He took a shot, which was fisted away by Amita va Choudhury for a corner Said the Mohun Bagan coach Sankar Banerjee 'If the chances cannot be availed of nothing can be done It's difficult to believe the chances that were missed Behala Youth coach Achyut Banerjee said. My players fought hard and they were rewarded as they were able to get a point

I TER Moh immedan Sporting had Awon their encounter against I ast Bengal, interest in the League seemed to wane. They have lost a point, where as both the other teams, Mohun Bagan and Fast Bengal have dropped three points each Perhaps playing without any tension helped Mohun Basan per form better in their match against Aiky a Summil ini than they had earlier in the League

they scored all three goals in the first half although ironically the first was from a suicidal shot by detender R thin Dev He tumbled with a Mihir Bose shot and managed to put it in hiown goal the second goal was by Mihir but credit for that goal should go to Surrift Sengupt i. He was on the verge of taking a shot but saw that the custodian was in a position to inter-cept it. Instead he lobbed the ball er the goalkeepers head and all







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Mihir had to do was to nod it in The third goal was by Xivier who shot from a Ulaganath in centre

Aikya Sammilani coach Pradip Bis was said. After the first goal my players tended to lose heart and after that we let in another two. In the second half we played better ind

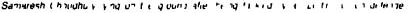
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Mohun Bagan got chen first goal a tow minutes before the interval through stopper Sumir Bhittichary i who he ided in a coalmouth lob by Md Habib from just outside the box. After the breither Trancis DeSouzi (who hid replaced Vivier Phisi showed his opportunism when he utilised a rebounder which had come off the Mirza pur custodi in from a stiff Mihir Bose hot Mihir however had the satisfaction of coring the third goal for his side when he put the fini hing touch to a Compton Dutta centre Trancis completed the tally for Mohun Bug in when he despatched a first timer into the ne t

Mohun Bak in coach Sink ir Banei ice seemed happy with his team's performance. After a long time my forwards moved well and created opening after opening. It would have been even better had my two wingers Surept Sengupta and Ulagan than been able to create more openings It was good to see I rancis playing well as a striker for it he settles down a lot of my problems in the forward line will be olved





Is the Asiad movement on its deathbed?

M N SHOME investigates the possibility, with particular reference to what must surely rank as the most controversial Games ever to be staged

NEVER before has the 1982 Asian | Games been subjected to such | politicization as now. This has become an unending controversy. All sorts of strings are being pulled for all types of purposes. This is unfortunite - much to the embarrassment of the host country and to the amusement of the international comits. With the announced schedule approaching fast the war of vilification and even character assis sin ition is slowly becoming strident. There is even talk of some Saty igraha against this prestigious international EVENT

A spate of speculations is igninthere about the slickening pice of work in preparation of the Games because of Mr V (Shuklis resignation from the Chairman hip of the Special Committee and there after the transfer of It Governor Jagmohan from Delhi to Goa. The IOA Chief. Mr. Bhaimdra Singh however does not give any credence to these specula tions or doubts being expressed in

cert un quarters. He told me emphatically that the Union Minister of State for Shipping and Transport Mr Buta Singh who is in charge of the Games now is energetic and a livewire and has vast administrative experience to his credit. He is obviously the next ideal choice. Having been connected with the Games project from the very beginning in a number of ways. Mr. But a Singh is more familiar with the job than most of the people manning the virious committees the said

And how true v as his observation is one found the other day when Mr But a Singh met the Press for the first time is the Chief of the Special Committee. He inswered each and every question put to him, and there were trick and so riching questions too. He ins vered them factually with ease and contidence. The impression he lett on those like me, who had some reservations about him was refreshing and profound

Farlier Mr But a Singh said that the

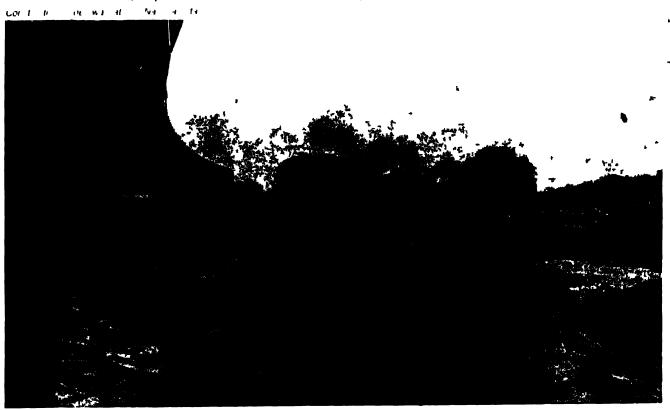
minth Asian Games would be "definite ly" held in Delhi from November 19 to December 4, 1982 All stadia, Games village and other connected facilities would be ready much before the commencement of the Games He was monitoring the activities of all the concerned d partments almost daily

The question does not arise of drop ping any of the 20 disciplines as approved by the Asian Games Federa tion in December 1980. These games are archery athletics badminton basketball boxing cycling eques trian tootball gymnastics golf hock ey handball shooting swimming table tennis tennis volleyball weight litting wrestling and vichting In cidentally never betate in the history of the Asian Game, that so many Limes are Loing to be organised by inv country. Moreover, three of the game, are being included for the first time it golf handbill and eques trim. Iwo demonstration games resepak taki aw of Malaysia, and kabaddi. of India will also be striged. These games will be played at 1" different stidia in Delhi and one in Bombay exachting)

Three large and new studia are under construction in Delhi for the purpose Besides i new shooting range is being laid at Tughlaguabad and a cycle velodrome is being boilt at Righat sports complex. The we'l be the only eyele velodrome in the courtry conforming to international speci-

fic itions

One vill certainly igree with the Secretary General of the Special Com. 1 mittee Mr S S Cill that a nation i not merely counted by its population. or territory it is also known for the



youth power and its capability to gain world acclamation in physical skills and sports So come what mis we will bring the latest scientific equipment necessary to train our boys and girls for the purpose even it it me insafew crores of rupees keeping the future generations in view he said adding

We may be blamed for this expendi ture at present but we are sure that the future generation will praise us for such bold actions. History will say that every piece of good legislation had to pass through regours of public

criticism and sentiments

The facilities and the necessary intrastructure being pro-ided for the forthcoming Asiad vill obviously make our boys and garls more sports conscious and ultimated help them to bring more and more faurely for eximple he said that for the first time the main studium at Ledla Road with a eating capacity for 75,000 will provide tacilities to our athlete to run on a synthetic track. A tro turb a bonne. Ind in the National Addition for book ex. This will enable our hocks placer to practice on a untace. It has now ured all orer the world for major

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In the connection he ded the xample of Japan which has a ked the International Ol mpic Committee to illot the 1988 Of impre Summer Came 1 it Nago is the fourth but their in-Tip in Heinformed that the Japanese (1) strong precious cears in juricideur

authorities have already started preparing themselves for the Games in anticipation of the approval of the IOC which is meeting it the end of September this year at Baden Baden West Germany. This is in spite of the fact that Tokyo already has the neces sars intristructure—where the 1955 Asian Cames were held. Their aim is to spread the facilities to as many place as possible with emphasis on sports facilities and playgrounds rather than on ornamental gardens and statues

Incidentilly the compaign to host the 1988 Olympics is not being promored by Nigovi ilone but his the apport of a broad spectrum of the nation According to a national urvey conducted by the country - national newspaper As the Shimbur in Novembut last year 68 per cent of the people upported Nagova's bid for the Games Liking note of this support the Espanese Covernment has since given it approval to the holding of the 24th

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Mr Cill did not hide his technic when he aid that we have dready

lating the cost structure, and that too, in an imaginary fashion" He added, it is really amusing to learn when one says that the expenditure will go up to the extent of several hundred crores On the contrary 'the total expendi ture will never be allowed to exceed more than Rs 55 crores (precisely Rs 53 54 crores), he asserted

The rate of progress during the last six months as monitored makes an interesting study. Games village complex 35 per cent indoor stadium in the Indraprastha Estate (to be divided into two aren's by a second proof collapsible partition; 30 to 35 per cent main stadium and civil work 30 per cent indoor swimming pool 39 to 42 per cent and renovation of the Nation il Stadium 25 to 32 per cent. The Construction Committee may take pride of this schickement. The world's two eminent sports scientists. Prof. Kun 4th and Prof. Littel of the German College of Physical Culture Leipzig whom I incr recently in Delhi told me that the indoor swimming pool now under construction at the Talkatora Caden will on completion be the be tall the world much better than Mexico and Moscow pools

These two GDR scientists who cone here on a cultural exchange programme also spoke highly about the technical aspect of the construction it the indoor tadium at the Indripristh (Estate as also the train ing tacilities now underway at the NIS Pittilli They agreed with me that the m in to receive the lion's share of the praise is Dr.C. M. Muthiah Director of the Games Technical Committee

The next person whom I met wis the shy modest knowledgeable soldier turned sports administrator. Air



Vice Marshal C L Mehta (Retd), Secretary General of the Indian Olympic Association and Secretary Treasurer of the AGF He assured that all the games will be finished within the specified period of 14 days, starting on November 19 He informed that it might be possible to hold the National Games in the middle of next year to try out the facilities offered for the Arian Games

On the question of extending in vitation to Israel, he said that the Asian Amateur Athletic Association, at its recent meeting in Manila, de cided not to invite Israel to any athle tic meet in Asia including the Asian Games Under the AGF rules the Organising Committee has to issue invitations to member nations only 'six months before the competition No decision has, therefore, been taken so far on this issue But circles close to him say that 30 out of 32 countries would be invited So if everything goes well this will be the biggest congregation in any of the Asian Games held so far It promises to be a thrilling spectacle

THE Asian Games have a special significance for every Indian As the founder member of the Asian Games movement, this country staged the first ever Asiad in its capital in 1951 The torch that the country's first Prime Minister lit at that time has now disseminated all over Asia Through out the span of last three decades the Asian Games have gradually assumed the character of an international event of major importance

Although the Asian Games have acquired the status of the most prestigious event in the domain of Asian sports, it is amazing to note that during the last decade and a half fewer countries are opting to stage the event Out of the eight meets held so far Thailand has sponsored three (1966 1970 and 1978) The other countries having hosted one each are India (inaugural year New Delhi 1951) the Philippines (Manila 1954) Japan (Tokyo 1958), Indonesia (Jakarta

1962) and Iran (Teheran 1974) In fact, the 1978 Bangkok meet was literally thrust upon Thailand at the eleventh hour The venue originally chosen, it may be recalled, was Manila and later Karachi As both countries failed to honour their commitment mainly because of financial compul sions, Thailand having the necessary infrastructure at Bangkok, magnani mously came forward to undertake the job However, they did not have to spend any money on these Games since funds came largely from dona tions by each member nation In fact. Thailand is reported to have made a net profit of 31 million dollars

One of the protagonists of the Games the IOA Secretary General Air Vice Marshal (Retd) Chaman Lal Mehta was in a reminiscent mood when I met him at his Anand Niketan residence in South Delhi Relaxing far from the madding crowd, Mr Mehta, who is also India's current representa

tive on the AGF, made some interest ing_revelations

Talking about the rising cost of staging the Asian Games, he felt this had gone up not only because of rising prices, but also because of the "gigan ticism" of the Games itself owing to the multiplicity of events staged According to the AGF Charter, it is just sufficient to stage the Games with eight disciplines only—two compul sory events (athletics and swimming) and six other optional disciplines Obviously the idea is to enable the developing countries in the Continent to keep themselves within a limited budget

However it has, of late, become a sort of status symbol for some of the sponsoring countries to increase the number of disciplines sometimes beyond their own capacity. They are now vying with one other in this respect. Those who lag behind in this race are either fighting shy to under take the job or are doing so at the cost of many national projects. Such is the case with India which will be staging 20 disciplines, the maximum ever (golf, handball and equestrianism being the new ones) plus two demon stration games.

The popularity of the Asian Games according to Mr Mehta, was not declining. He confided to me that there are as many as three contestants, namely, Seoul (South Korea), Pyongyang (North Korea) and Baghdad (Iraq) for the 1986 Asiad. A specially appointed council of five experts including Mr Mehta has visited these cities to gauge their capabilities tacilities in frastructure and potential. A decision on this will be taken when the AGF General Assembly meets in New Delhi in December next year.

An interesting piece of information about the AGF is that in future the AGF Secretariat will be lodged at a permanent site with all its parapher nalia and will in future operate from one country. The venue and the mod alities will be decided at the AGF General Assembly meeting The cost of the proposed permanent Secretariat is estimated to be around Rs 3 50 lakhs monthly or about Rs 40 lakhs annually The General Assembly decided that until the permanent Secretariat comes into reality a shadow Secretariat will start functioning from Kuwait with the entire expenditure being borne by that country

However the style of functioning of the AGF itself will also change con siderably Allotment of the Games will be a minor task The Secretariat will concentrate on holding coaching cli nics imparting technical suggestions for improved training and explore ave nues for holding the Asian cham pionships in various disciplines as fre quently as possible Above all, the newly operating AGF, I am told will make meticulous attempts to "narrow the vast discrepancy between the Asian standard and that of the rest of the world (except for table tennis, badminton and to a certain extent volleyball and hockey) "

Incidentally, the current practice is that the AGF Secretariat operates for four years in the country which holds the Asian Games The expenses for the AGF are the responsibility of the National Olympic Association of the country staging the Games for that period This has obviously limited the functioning of the Federation to mere ly ensuring that the Games are successfully held

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I gathered from AGF sources that the move to have a permanent Secretariat for the Federation was approved in 1978 when the AGF General Assem bly met at Bangkok after that year's Asian Games Thailand, the host country proposed its construction at Bangkok but kuwait also made a claim for this Kuwait not only volunteered to bear the entire expenditure for the purpose it even came out with a big cheque as advance! However, the issue was deferred till the next General Assembly meeting in New Delhi in 1980

It was again this bloc which sug gested the changing of the name of the Asian Games Federation to that of the Supreme Sports Council of Asia, on the lines of the Supreme Sports Coun cil of Africa which was then unani mously accepted But this move was ultimately thwarted by India in the Delhi meeting India is understood to have contended that the new nomencl ature having a semblance of the Afri can Council would not be appropriate Incidentally the African Council is a total flop. It was also contended that any change in name after the racial African pattern would be deemed to be an affront to Asian sentiments and prestige It was then unanimously de cided that both the issues should be thoroughly examined by a Rules Committee under the Chairmanship of the Hong Kong National Olympic Associa tion chief Mr Sales

The recommendations of this Committee of which Mi Mehta is also a member will be submitted to the AGF General Assembly when it meets in New Delhi next year Accordingly, the members of the Rules Committee are now busy examining the constitutions of almost all the National Olympic Associations of the world from its shadow Secretariat at Kuwait The Committee had its last meeting in New Delhi

Although vigorous attempts are being made to revitalise the Asian Games the unfolding of events and prevailing circumstances show that there are still signs of visible cracks Doubts, therefore, arise as to whether the Asian Games movement in its present form will continue or die an unnatural death Some followers of the movement have even gone to the ex tent of saying that next year's Asiad will be the last of its kind If so, the Asian Games be buried at the place where they were born 31 years ago Well wishers hope that such dark fore bodings prove wrong, and the move ment, of which India is the founder, gather strength and momentum in the vears to come

My most memorable moments

MICHAEL KINDO

A RJUNA Award winner Michael Kindo was born on June 28, 1946, at Kurdeg in Ranchi district Although hockey came to him through tradition, he took to the game seriously only after joining the Indian Navy in 1962. He donned Indian colours in 1969 against the visiting Kenyan team and made his first foreign tour in 1971 to partici pate in Pesta Sukun Hockey Tournament at Singapore Later, he represented the country in the in augural World Cup Tournament at Barcelona (1971)—the same year he was selected for the World XI the Munich Olympics (1972) 2nd World Cup Tournament at Amster dam (1973) and the third World Cup at Kuala Lumpur (1975) In 1974 he missed the Teheran Asiad due to dome stic reasons and missed selection to Montreal for the 1976 Olympic Games because of injury He received the Arjuna Award in 1972 Today he is a Sports Execu tive in the Rourkel's Steel Plant

BEING an Adivasi from the tribal area of Ranchi where hockey is the most popular game, I took to it at an early age. We used to play the game with home inade hockey sticks. I started as a forward but later switched over to a defence position as there was a shortage of such players at that time. During my school days, I never had the opportunity of playing in any recog.

nised tournament

In 1962 just after sitting for the S S C examination, I joined the Indian Navy and was sent to Visha kapatnam for basic training Here I took part in Inter Section hockey matches After completion of my training in 1963, I was posted on INS Shakti The same year our ship was on a routine visit to Singapore, but I fell ill on the way At this moment, in order to avoid any further tortuous journeys in future, I decided to take up hockey serious ly In 1964, I was selected in the Navy team, but was unfortunately sidelined for two years

In 1966, thanks to our coach Lt (IN) Ravinder Singh, I became a regular member of the Navy team In the same season, I was picked for the Services side to play in the Nationals, but was among the reserves In 1969, Mr Jose Genzalves asked me to play for Bombay in the Nationals Since I had an opportunity to be a playing member of the team, I accepted his offer Evident ly, the selectors were impressed with my performance and I was

chosen to play Test matches against the visiting Kenyan team I played three matches in the series

The year 1970 was the most disappointing of my career India had staged an international tournament in Bombay, where we fielded two teams—Dark Blues—and I was quite confident that I would be selected for one of them, but that was not to be I was not even given a chance for the Bangkok Asiad I was told that my physique was not good enough for international competition Perhaps the curse continued to be on me as the tollowing year the same thing happened



In 1971, an Indian team was to participate in the Pesta Sukun Hockey Tournament at Singapore and later in the inaugural World Cup Tournament at Barcelona, Spain I was not even called to the coaching camp I took courage and asked one of the officials the reason His reply was "You are above 30 years and therefore you have not been considered for selection" This surprised me consider ably and I showed him my birth certificate He promised to make inquiries into the subject

Having verified my age, they invited me to join the camp But by that time I had gone on leave to my village and only on my return did I find the letter When I finally reached the camp, only three days remained for the final trials One of the happiest moments came when coach Udham Singh allowed me to

také part in the trial matches and I found myself in the Indian squad to tour Singapore—my first-ever fore

Ign tour

We won the championship in Singapore Thus I began my international hockey career with a gold The same year I went to Barcelona for the inaugural World Cup Tournament but we lost to Pakistan in the semi finals and finally obtained the bronze medal In Barcelona, I was selected for a World XI team along with Ashok Kumar and Ajitpal Singh In 1972, I was in the Indian squad for the Munich Olympics Again, the three of us were in the World team Though that same year saw me receiving the Arjuna Award, I was not very happy as we could not win the Olympic hockey gold medal I represented India again in the Amster dam World Cup Tournament in 1973, when we lost in the final to

hosts Holland in the tie breaker I could not go to the Teheran Asian Games in 1974 due to domes tic reasons In 1975, I was a member of the victorious Indian team at Kuala Lumpur, where we defeated our arch rivals Pakistan 2 1 Natur ally, that was my most memorable moment Every sportsman wants to be on top of the world in his disci pline and when one achieves this, one's joy knows no bounds The year 1976 was my golden year in many respects I played for the Kota Division XI which won the Inter Division Western Railway Championship We also won the Inter Railway Championship, and later on the Railways team clinched the Rangaswamy Cup—the symbol of supremacy in the Nationals The same year India won the first Rene Frank Gold Cup International Hockey Touranment at Madras. In cidentally, this was my last appear ance in international hockey I mis sed the 1976 Montreal Olympics due to injury So, I started my international career with a gold and finished on the same high note At home, Orusa qualified for the

At nome, Orisia qualified for the semi finals in two consecutive Nationals under my captaincy I do not have any complaints against any of the officials or players Today, whatever I have achieved is because of hockey I am well placed in the Rourkela Steel Plant I am statisfied with my achievements and I would not like to comment on the present state of Indian hockey

News round-up

Karnataka's sensational triumph

INDORE Karnataka won the presti gious Guru Dutt Trophy for the first time in the 12th Summer National Bridge Ch impionship when they dete ated Assam in the finals in an exciting match by 22 imp at the end of four sessions Incidentally both Karnatiki and Assam reached the finals for the first time. The margin of 22 imp looks a commanding victory but a great re irguard action by Assam in the list phase thrilled the spaisely crowd it the Yeshwant Club which hosted and organised the tournament efficiently The first session's iw Karn itaka de moralise Assam with 40 imp as again a the latter's 23. In the second and third sessions. Kirn itaka iett Assam. hopelessly behind by 67 imp. But none could have visualled that in the 4th and 5th sessions Assum would am issue 39 imple id over Kitnatik i to ultimately lose b. 22 imp. Kirn it is a write represented by B. Krishn it copt and 15 Vishwan ith in R.C. Mishri St. ty in Ningi in and S.K. Ivengar while Assim by G.M. Disse iptum: S.R. Di SK Chakrivirty AS Bhittich uvi and S. K. Chatterjee

In all 21 teams took part in the competition. At the very outset one saw the shocking ousters of last vear champions Delhi and runners up Rail ways in the climination found. In Letin group A. Delhi were placed a lowleighth out of 10 teams. However, the

most shocking upset in the competi tion was defeat of hot favourites Maharashtra 9 11 at the hands of Goa Goa had initially stood 5th in group A and were therefore, out of the league But the last moment withdrawal of DSOI from the league, when two of its top players left Indore for some urgent work, helped Goa to be the lucky entrant into the super league. In the Goa Maharashtra encounter the first 16 hoards saw Goa take a surprising 14 implead 1 iter in the moves and countermoves of brains and brawn Maharashtra's Dalal and Dr. Tolani failed to reach a grand slam bid by Goas Shirvik it and Naik thereby los ing 13 imp in the process. Mah ir ishti a further give iwiy 10 imp but a pen ilty of 900 by Goas George salvaged Maharashti i and this moral bocater gave them 10 imp in the second half Maharashtrawereluck once usun when Go chid mother grandshim, but , unfortunately it went down by a track

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Maharashtra pair was lowered by the Railway runners up duo 4 12 in the penultimate round But due to the high tally earlier on Maharashtra occupied the top berth Likewise, this very Rail way pair were given a jolt by the famed Maharashtra pair of Jimmy Mehta and Campos who figured very bidly standing a lowly 5th at the end of the 5th round. In fact, much was expected of Jimmy Mehta and Campos who are reckoned as the theoretical masters of bridge in India. In the R im imurth: Trophy (mixed event) we once again saw a seesaw battle for supremies. Jimmy Meht i had the consolution of playing in the Sanghyis te im of Bombay which won a thrilling fin il over Renade's team of Bombay which included Campos in their side The final core was \$4.2 in favour of Singhyi site im. In the first half R in ide s to im led by 55.28, but in the second half Sanghi #s to im scored 56. to win by 12 imp. In tack both these te imsqualitied for the finals when at the and of the 7th round. Ranade's to move th 109 in US inches steam with St. (c) obj. d 1st and 2nd to profive 1. Pa Singley Steam, which had Jama Mehtam theorimk had to tre beman tration allo me to In Oxported I. Lore Bridge Lence by 11' the treem beteremaking it to be tree. The net humerous part of the carne champion hip was the pr hard traction tion shen Mi Yu cour Sharn'i Specker it Vidh in Salte and the charles are and the die in in thin about bridge Soh had a diedrea bechel net la methatbridgers i rin t tem and t tematically

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Skimming on the water at high space is. Water Buggy, the latest development in powered water short from Billain Fifst mandevrable and safe the cities operate in any water ose 18 inches deep and can carry two people. The craft consumes 0.5 galorials 2.1 est 1 fue per hour and is litted with a 5 gallon tank. The 7 ft 0 inlong Biggy, my weighs 154 pounds.

Manmeet and Indu win

INDORE The first Umashankar Soma ni Memorial All India Open Table Ten nis Fournament at Indore looked almost like the Central India Cham pionships with a host of internationals playing in it. The participation of Manjit Dua Manmeet Singh Rajat Kathuria, Parthiy Vyas Vilas Menon Suhas Kulkarni and Ramesh Babu in the men's events as well as the nation al champion Indu Puri. Kashmira Patel. Singdha Mchta, Nandini Kulkarni and Rita Jain in the women's addod to the glamour and prestige of the tournament.

In the men's singles final top seeded Manmeet Singh gave scintillat ing display to beat Manjat Dua in 21 17 21 16 21 15 In a disastrous performance India scaptain at Novi Sad. Manut Dua just failed to execute his timed loop drives and was forced to go on the defensive. Manmeet's perfect backhand winners were a feast for the eyes -the yery backhand that was mainly responsible for India's col-Lipse it Novi Sid In the league one found Rajat Kathuria struggling hard to restore his own form after a long lay off due to his university examination. He was actually routed 3.1 by Manut Dua

One could clearly visualise the crisis of confidence in Rajat and left handed Parthiv Vyas when the latter was noted out by Vilas Menon a perfect gallery player and the darling of the crowd Parthivs we ikness lay in his mability to use the backband But it was too late for Vilas Menon to realise that he could do well in the league as he was surprisingly brushed iside carlier by MP system in Natendard Kaushik Vilas forch and shots were no match for Kaushik's immaculate defence

Likewise another apset in the league was the ouster of Rameshbabu by MP's Pramod Soni who incident ally natched a trunc from Mainit Duain the league round. In the women's events national champion Indu Puri registered in easy victory in straight games over Kashmira Patel in the finals. Kashmira could hardly cope with Indu's lightning forehand shots. But in the league she outwitted international Snigdha Meht i 3.1. Kashmira eleverly slowed the pace of the game and Snigdha fumbled with her famed topspins.

One also saw the return to table tennis of the stylish left handed Rita Jain after a layoff of three years National Junior champion Rita (23) was once reckoned as the brightest prospect in Indian table tennis. In her first major tournament after three years Rita lost narrowly to Na admikulkarni 2.3 in the league.

Suh is Kulk irni was very critical of the underst inding reached at the top that only players below 25 would be considered for the Asiad According to him though it is heartening to learn that both Manjit Dua and Indu Puri



(above 25) have been invited to the conching camps for the Asiad as spe cial cases, the whole concept of the Government is wrong He said Most of the worlds top ranking players are above 25 Jonyer is 33 Surbeck 36 Bengston 29 and Gergley 31. The point is that in table tennis the age is not a vital factor as in toothall because table tennis is essentially a game of psychological warf we maturity and experience. Otherwise how could all these players. I mentioned above, be the top players of the world in spite of their advancing age. Therefore it would be nice if the Government could distinguish among different games, be fore the various State federations were given written directives he conc lude d

Me inwhile Snigdha Mehta told this correspondent that though she had received a directive from the ITF1 saving that she must join the coaching camp for the Asiad during the succeeding months to be included in the Indian squad she had decided to appear for her degree examinations which she had been sacrificing for the last three years to do duty for the nation

SUJEET MOHANT

Skaters lament...

CHANDIGARH It is indeed a hearten ing news that despite the lack of official support has total indifference the he jutiful skating rink here is re ceiving from 100 to 150 skaters daily including over half a dozen who have made the international grade and some 40 who appeared for the nation als That the Union Territory Adminis tration recognises skating is evident from the fact that it has besides providing a coach also arranged a beautiful hall almost in the heart of the city. But it is a pity that it has done nothing else to give fillip to this game Further the players participating in national or international competitions are not paid a single paisa. They are rather made to spend from their own pockets including the entry fees and the monthly fees for practising in the rink No exception is made even for the internationals. There is however, a skating association which is made up of self seekers and is primarily con cerned with making arrangements for their own trips in the country and abroad

What they do there is altogether a different story. The skaters complain about the lack of genuine enthusiasm on the part of the authorities. They

also lament that they are not given adequate instruction about the game Then there is hardly any standard equipment for which an extra fee is charged The international results re veal the inadequacy of the "desi" equipment for which they were unable to put up good performance at New Zealand last year One of them told Sportsworld, 'it was frustrating to fin ish last. Some of the Indian skaters who had spent from their own pockets Rs 13,000 for only air fare just did not take the field. The manager was busy shopping or sightseeing when the competitions were underway ' Mind you the Chandigaih skaters have made a name for themselves in the country and abroad It is high time that this game should be given its due import ance and encouragement for future improvement

SATISH YUMAR

Sukhna lake endangered

CHANDIGARH Remember Sukhna Lake, which was once being consi dered as the possible venue for rowing event of the 1982 Asian Games It looks like a neglected child today, not only because the rowing event is almost ruled out for inclusion in the games, but also because it is on the verge of extinction The sprawling lake is endangered by heavy silting It presents an ugly sight these days with small sand islands dotting its surface It is roughly over two thirds of sand, as the managing committee of the Lake Club goes about taking some positive steps to expand sports activities on the lake The committee has only recently approved a number of schemes like buying more boats, but ironically not even discussed the silting problem Meanwhile, a specialist in planning land and water resources John Ste wart who has worked as a foreign consultant in various countries. like Libya, North Yemen and Thailand and is currently attached to the World Bank aided Kandi area development project in Punjab, is of the view that the only way to save the lake from further silting is to handover im mediately the area across the lake to the Union Territory Administration which should take steps similar to the ones it had already taken in its portion of it

Interestingly, the area across the lake is currently under three Administrations, namely Punjab, the Union Territory Administration, and Haryana While Punjab and Haryana had not restricted the use of the area for grazing or cutting of trees etc., the Union Territory had banned such uses This had to a limited extent halted the march of silting, but till Punjab and Haryana cooperated, nothing tangible was possible The best way to save the lake, therefore, is to handover the area to the UT, according to the American engineer, John Stewart who had been asked by the Union Territory Administration to suggest steps

SATISH KUMAR



The new Wimbledon champion John McEnroe storms through the Heathrow Airport lounge to catch a homebound Concorde He left a trail of broken glasses and china behind him

After resigning as England captain, Ian Botham signs autographs before leaving Lord's ground





King Juan Carlos
hands the Copa del
Rey (King's cup) to
Barcelona captain
Olmo after the Catalan Club won it at the
Vicente Calderon
Stadium, Madrid

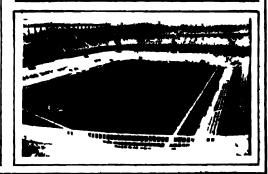
Barcelona striker En rique Castro "Quini" prepares to score his second goal against Gyon in the King's cup final at the Vicente Calderon Stadium, Madrid





Solo yachtsman Paul Rogers speaks to his girl-friend Sara Durose before his attempt to sail twice round the world non stop If successful, he will set two records

The Elche Soccer Stadium, a fouryear old concrete structure outside the Southern Spanish town, awaits the grand fiesta of World Cup soccer to be held here in summer 1982



CRIQUIZ by Eddie Dunstan

All-rounder's week was out on its own

A week that is out on its own in the annals of all round performance. That is how a biographer justitiably sums upthe achievement of Litamous English cricketer in two consecutive matches for his country in the fir timate hougainst Surrey, which lasted three days he scored a century in each innings-- 193 and 143- and in slip the took four catches in Surrey's first innings and six in their second. After more than 50 years the 10 catches are still the world record for first class cricket

Soundly beaten. Surrey made was for Worcester and the fair of the first match struck again—this time principally as a bowler

Describing the conditions his biographers as the late summer morning drenched the wicket with dew the clouds hung low and sluggish and im prisoned the season il damps in a thick and humid atmosphere. The *doubt able all rounder opening the bowling tound be could sayn, the ball danger ously late, and when it preched it out venomously of the green top. He collaborated with wind and weather like am in inspired is as his biographer. The result. Since wickets for 24 runs off 10 overs and two balis a. Worce ter were bundled out for 35

He poilthischince offiking all 10 wickets by catching the other batsman. off his chief bossling partner, left hander Charlie Parker, who took 1.1 off eight over. And when his county batted and made 570 for six declared, the all rounder was chught at the wicket after an exhibitating innings of 80. Worce ster were not yet done with their tormentor In their second innings he took secot their wickets for 105 in 33 over - partner Parker this time taking 4-11 off the same number of overs. The all rounder stally tor this match over in two days = 15 128 one catch 80 runs

QUESTION Who was the player responsible for this ex-

traordinary demonstration of all-round proficiency?

In more recent times another English all rounder became the first player to score a century and take eight wickets in one innings of the same Test when he made 108 and took 8-34 against Pakistan at Lord's. The century was his third in a sequence of innings that ran 103 and 30 not out and 53 (against New Zealand) and 100 and 108 (against Pakistan)

His 8-34, which included a devistating spell of 7-14 in 13-5 overs, were the hest figures by an England bowler since Jim Laker's memorable 10 53 and 9 37 in the 1956 Test against Australia at Old Trafford Since Liker's teat Tony Greigand Derek Underwood have each taken eight wickets but for more runs—Under wood 8 51 against Pakistan in 1974 and Greig 8 86 against the West Indies

QUESTION Who is the Englishman whose century and

eight wickets have given him a unique place in Test records by all rounders?

One of India's greatest players com-pleted in 1952, the fistest Test double of 1,000 runs and 100 wickets in his 23rd Test - compared with M. A. Noble 27 Tests Richie Benaud 32 Keith Miller and Maurice Tate 33 and Alan Davidson 34. The Indian is the only player from his country to have scored 1 000 runs and taken 100 wickets on a tour of England in 1946

QUESTION

Who was this outstanding

In dian all rounder?

In his book Cricketers of my Times A A Thomson asked the question. Have you ever looked up the names that appear in both Wisden's lists of cricke ters who have made 30 000 runs and taken 2 000 wickets? After observing that each list was inaturally impressive and pretty exclusive in its own right—he went on to ask. Who are the men who straddle the two? There are four of

them One is Frank Woolley who died in Canada at the age of 91 in 1978. He is second on the list of 48 players who have scored 30 000 runs. his 58 969 aggregate being second only to Jack Hobbs 61 237 And on the list of 31 bowlers who have taken 2 000 wickets Woolley lies 26th with 2 068 wickets Another member of the celebrated all rounder quartet is the Yorkshireman George Hirst With 36-323 runs he is 26th on the rungetters list and with 2 739 wickets 12th on the bowlers list Of the other two all round greats one scored 54-896 runs and took 2-876. wickets and the other scored 39,802 runs and took 4 187 wickets

QUESTION

Can you name

lowed up this

Highest score by an Englishman in a Test in Australia remains 287 made by R. E. Foster on his Test debut way back in 1903 in Sydney But the highest innings ever played by an Englishman in Austraha is 307 made on Adelaide Oval in 1962. The occasion was the 1962-63 MCC team's second match against South Australia played over Christmas In a temperature of nearly 380 the MCC scored 474 for four on the fir tiday Missed at 43 and 91 but otherwise batting faultlessly one of their star was 244 not out. Next day he took his score to 307 made in 61 hour, with four sixes and 29 fours.

Who was the tri QUESTION I ple century maker who fol

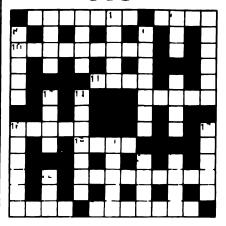
performance by scoring 113 and 58 not out in the next match of the tour the second Test in Melbourne won by England by seven wickets?

LAST WEEKS ANSWERS

- 1 Leter Loader Tourth Test West Indies v England 1957 The match was won by Ing land by an innings and five runs-279 to 14. and 132
- I T He arne
- 3 Johnny Briggs The only bowlers the id of him on the list of those v ho have taken most wickets in a Test are Jim Liker 1990 England's Australia 1956 S.F. Barnes 17 159 England v South Africa 1913 14 and Bob Massie 16 137 Australia's England 1972 Five bowlers have taken 15 wickets in a Test but Brigg s 15 28 are the best figures
- P | Petherick, in the first Test 1976 77 Pakistan New Zealand series
- Javed Miandad Patherick's other hat trick victims were Wasim Rajo and Intikhab



Jones & O Boen



ACROSS

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- 1 1924 Olympic 100 m gold medallist just does not make it (7)
- Also the land of the Kangeroos (4.5)
- 10 8 down comes from here (9)
- 11 India's greatest wrestler (4)
- 15 Also the land of the Kangeroos (4.5)
- 16 Jaime Fillol hails from this backward cold sounding country (5)
- One empty place in solid body is the pride of golfers (4)
- Cricketer nicknamed Rags (7.1.1)
- More Olympics (4)
- Downhill zig zag courses (7) 25

DOWN

- Mihir and Bidesh (4)
- The first four of across
- Governs Indian tennis (1 1 1 1 1)
- Pair of spectacles surround this ! table tennis player (3)
- Her man is ex Olympic hockey star on the way up (6)
 Male ground slammer (5)

- Sportsworld's pride (7)
 Asian King of the channel (13)
- The latter part of something grand (4) 13
- Sport of Toxophililes (7)
- The Grecians of English football (6)
- Borg is perhaps the most famous on the way back (5)
- The terrble Czech (5)
- Roomy West Indian cricketer (4) 20
- Shut with loud bang in bridge (4)
- Los Angeles eagle

(Solutions next week)

Question box

Zafaraiam Daitongani

Q How many bowlers have captured 9 or

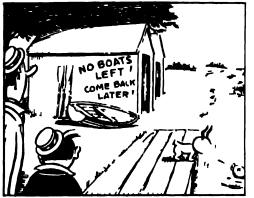
more wickets in a Test innings?

A J C Laker (10 53 9 37) G A Lohu
nann (9 28) S F Barnes (9 103) from
England A A Mailey (9 121) from Au
stralia H | Tayfield (9 113) J M Nor reiga (9.95 'rom West Indies J M Patel (9 69) and Subhash Gupte (9 102) from









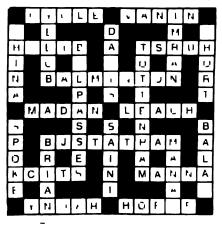






India and Sarfraj Nawaz (986) from Pakistan have captured over 9 wickets in an innings

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO 109



Chandrakumar Nanda Sambalpur

Q How many bowlers have taken over 200 wickets?

A F S Trueman (307) D L Underwood (279) J B Statham (252) A V Bedser (236) J A Snow (202) from England D K Lillee (251) R Benaud (248) G D McKenzie (246) P R Lindwall (228) C V Grimmett (216) from Australia L Gibbs (309) G S Sobers (235) from West Indies and B S Bedi (266) and Chandrasekhar (242) from India have bagged over 200 wickets in Tests

Arup Kumar Roy Katihar

When where and against whom Pataudi make his debut in Tests?

A Pataudi bagan his Test career in 4th Test vs England at Delhi in 1961 62

G Mayur Neral

A No

Q is there any batsman who has not scored a duck after playing maximum Tests for any country?

lohd Hafees, Mohd Ances, Lucknow Q What is Test bowling record of Frank 'Typhoon Tyson of England? A F H Tyson has dismissed 76 batsmen

conceding 18 56 runs per wicket in 17 Tests for England

Titoo and Bagoo Chakravarty, Calcutta After hitting the ball high up in the air

the two batsmen start running but after the ball is caught and the fieldsman tries to run out one of them will it be consi gered?

A If once the batsman is caught the ball becomes dead. Hence the other batsman cannot be run out. Also no run can be scored if the batsman is caught

Rajiv Bhuyan, Jorhat

Q is a batsman out if his cap falls on the wicket by a fieldsman's throw?

A No not out if the cap falls on the wicket due to the batsman's own mistake the batsman can be out and not because of fieldsman's smart throws

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Ham L Ghc.

QUESTIONS

Following are (A) the names of some international sports personalities of the past and present and (B) suitable references to each of them Pair them appropriately

1 Giuseppe Gentile 2 Beryl Burton 3 Mansur Rashidi 4 Vladimir Jerkovic 5 Christopher Brasher 6 Carmen Rischer 7 Comelius Johnson 8 Charlie Davis 9 Ruth Fuchs 10 Sayed Mohammed Jaffar

(B)

- 1 Black high jumper who set a new Olym pic record
- 2 Many consider him as the fastest and cleverest left winger ever known to hockey
- 3 In the Melbourne Olympics he won the gold medal in 3 000m steeplechase but only after the Jury of Appeal had consi dered an appeal against his disqualifica
- Twice winner of Olympic gold in javelin throwing she set a world record too in the event
- 5 The West Indies cricket authorities hardly did justice to him the younger of two cricketing brothers
- This Italian set a new world record in triple jump in the qualifying round of the Mexico Olympics a feat which had never happened before in the history of the event
- 7 He was the top scorer in Chile in the 1962 World Cup soccer
- 8 Iran's football goalkeeper in the recent past
- Three times world champion female gymnast
- The only woman cyclist consistently to beat top class male nders in open events

ANSWERS

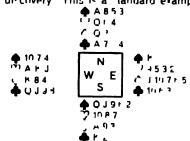
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Bridge

Boris Schapiro

Another new title to arrive on my book shelves is The Bridge Player's Alphabetical Handbock by Terence Peese and Albert Dormer (Faber £6.95) I thought at first glance that it might be a reprint of these authors very first collaboration. The Bridge Player's Dictionary but their latest hook is completely up to date. There are a few untypical misprints (details on request Terencel) but it includes much good material

Take a simple definition A declarer who tells, the lie of the cards in one luit in order to improve his knowledge in an ither is aid to practise discovery. This is a tandard example.



outh play in four spade latter vielt has opened with a weak no trump (12) 14 points). Vest leads the K and switche to the 💠 Q. De larer, hould Q ' hen vir in dummy and run the he find that he that the c K in addito rote his other high card. he knows er ugh to drop the ingleten King of trumps

A perfectly ound play early over-lo fed in the heat of the moment but winder whether it might be hefter to take the club lead in hand and play a low diamond from vill find cut where the King lie juita tefore but you have , it addits not pre-use or lest Players hale been kniwn to play low leteri they hold the Kina

Last week's quiz with East wes vulnerable. As stidealt and opened two clubs (c. riventichal) North pass€ dand Fast gare the positive response of two pades. As South with Φ notice 1.7 c. QUP652 Φ Q109764 a laser an be made for an unusual ne trumps overall The level at which you bid is a matter of taste! Anything from LNT up to 6NT is a possibility. File no trumps has a certain charm completing my set of quizies on possible uses of this unusual bid

This week's quiz a reader asks of hat the Crowhurst concention? And is there any point in playing it when you use a weak no trump and a rebid of 1 NT to show a 1º 16 point harid? A good question in their any real point?

Chess

Peler Clarke

When the Queens are exchanged in the opening it may prove quite safe for the Kings to remain on a central file in order to be ready for the endgame. However aution is called for - particularly from Black If you are behind in development and your King lacks good pawn cover

there is always the danger that direct threats from the opponent's minor pieces and Rooks will bring him if not a mating attack at least decisive material gains Here is an instructive miniature to illus trate the point it is taken from a useful new book published jointly by the American firm of RHM Press and Pitman House of London namely Understanding the Open Games (except Ruy Lopez) The authors are Andy Soltis Edmar Mednis Jack Peters and William Hartston and it costs £6 95 in paperback. The game is also of theoretical importance indicating that as Mednis puts it the very interest ing creative and daring Falkbeer Countergambit is not fully satisfactory because with perfect play White can obtain the better endgame

White D Brongtoin Black V Valeman King's Gambit Declined (Sandamierz 1976)

1 P - K4 P - K4 2 P - K84, P - Q4

3 KP x P, P - K5 4 P - Q3, Kt - K83 3 KP x P, P - K5 5 P x P, Kt x KP, 7 Q - K2 B - B4, 6 Kt - KB3 B - QB4 6 Kt - B3 Q - K2 9 B - K3 B x B

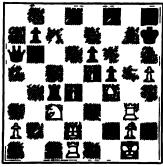
If 9 Ki a Ht 1) B a B Ht 2 Q 11 B a Q Ht F then 12 B = R3 frillowed by (1-11-11 y elds If 9 White strong pre-sure

10 Q x B Ki x Ki 11 Q x Qch K x Q 12 P x Kt B x P 13 K - Q2, B - R5 This has all terminous for a long lime, the yans wheateroff heres Margate 1949 vent 13 B H13 14 F H1 h P Q1 15 hr Q4 and white vas on lop 14 R - Kich K - Q3

The hing gres cut recklassly to nivet it. Inte-18 Kt - Kt5 K x P 16 R - K4 B - K1 Bronstein ja e the foll wir ji variati n a an evan ple of what sulf happen 16 B-Q2 17 B B4ch F B4 18 R F5 h F B 19 17 B B4ch F B4 18 R F5 n F B 19 t H4 P QK13 20 R QF11 P QR4 21 R c F1P F1 R 22 R P P QB4 23 R (Ktr) F1 R R 24 R P P mate 17 R - Q4ch K - B3, 18 B - K2, Kt - Q2 19 B - B3ch K - K13, 20 R - QKt1ch, K - R4 21 R x P P - KR3, 22 R x BP R - QKt1 23 Kt x P, B x Kt, 24 R (B7) x Kt Resigns

Competition 6476 Solution next werk

Black



White

White toplay How did the game finish / Grade 4

Solution to G475 (Lehmann – Denner Beverwijk, 1965) (r3kb1r,1b1qnppp/p2p4/ 1ppN4/3NP3/1P6/1PP2PPP/R1BQR1K1 – White to play) The German master won the exchange and a pawn by 13 Ft Kito Q Q1
14 Ki - B51 (but not 14 Ki x R P x Ki) Ki x Ki
15 P x Kith B - F2 16 Ki x R Q x Ki 17 Q x P thus easily obtaining a decisive advantage

Problem No 1141 Solution next week O Wurzburg (American Che s Bulletin 193h) (8/4n2K/8/pNp8/rkB4Q/n1p1N2/8/8 - 5 white men, 7 black) White to play and mate in two

Bolution to No 1140 (Buchwald) (5q2/8/ 161n4, B2ppb2/1PkP3R/1nNS/Q1R1P2K/5B2 - mate in two)-4 Q-R4 (threat 2 P-K(5)
(a) 1 P>P 2 Kt-K4 (b) 1 Kt x P 2 Kl x P 2 - R2 (r) 1 B + P 2 Q - B6 (d) 1 K5 2 P - K1



